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To

HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA
BHUP BAHADUR OF
COOCH BEHAR, G.C.I.E., C.B.

Dated, Darjeeling, the 15th October 1907.

YOUR HIGHNESS,

WE have the honour to submit the Annual Report on the administration of the State for the year 1906-1907, to which as usual the several Departmental Reports are attached. The delay in the submission of the report is due to the illness of the Vice-President.

2. Your Highness was pleased to appoint Maharajkumar Raj Rajendra Narayan as an Extraordinary Member of the State Council with effect from the 11th of February 1907.

Babu Priyanath Datta, M.A., B.L., Civil and Sessions Judge of the State, Registrar of Deeds and Judicial Member, State Council, was granted privilege leave of absence for one month with effect from the 21st of May 1906. Babu Raj Krishna Das, L.C.E., Assistant Civil Judge, was placed in charge of the Civil and Registration Departments, and Babu Hari Das Mukherji, M.A., B.L., Fouzdari Ahilkar of the State, in that of the Sessions Department.

3. *Judicial work of the Council.*—The Council held 25 sittings, the same number as in the previous year. The following table shows the work done by the State Council on its Judicial side:—

NATURE OF CASES.	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Total.	DISPOSED OF.									Pending at the close of the year.	REMARKS.
				Reversed.	Modified.	Confirmed.	Struck off.	Remanded.	Compromised.	Rejected.	Granted.	Total.		
CIVIL.														
Regular appeals	1	2	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	
Special appeals ...	3	14	17	3	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	15	2	
Miscellaneous appeals ...	...	3	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	.....	
Miscellaneous Special Appeals ...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
Motions, etc.	...	14	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	1	8	6	
Miscellaneous cases	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	.....	
RENT.														
Special appeals	...	4	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4	.....	
REVENUE.														
Motions, etc.	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	
CRIMINAL.														
...peals	1	5	6	...	1	...	1	...	...	4	...	6	.....	
...ions ...	2	18	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	2	17	3	
... Total ...	7	64	71	4	1	20	1	...	...	28	3	57	14	

4. *Legislative and Executive work of the Council.*—On the Legislative and Executive side, 33 meetings were held against 39 of the previous year, at 12 of which Your Highness presided.

The following Acts were passed and the following Bill was introduced during the year of report :—

Acts.

(1) Act II of 1906 (Cooch Behar Companies Act.)
(2) Act III of 1906 (Cooch Behar Evidence Act Amendment Act.)
(3) Act IV of 1906 (An Act to amend the Cooch Behar Village Chaukidari Amendment Act II of 1904.)
(4) Act V of 1906 (the Cooch Behar Small Cause Courts Act.)
(5) Act VI of 1906 (the Cooch Behar Hindu Wills Act.)
(6) Act VII of 1906 (the Cooch Behar Probate and Administration Act.)
(7) Act I of 1907 (amending the Cooch Behar Town Commitee Act IV of 1903.)
(8) Act II of 1907 (the Cooch Behar Succession Act.)
(9) Act III of 1907 (amending the Cooch Behar Vaccination Act VI of 1903.)

Bill.

(1) Bill VI of 1906 (Cooch Behar Penal Code Bill.)

5. *Executive work of the Council.*—The work of the Council on the Executive side is, as usual, divided into three following heads :—

I.—General.
II.—Financial.
III.—Cooch Behar State Railway and Miscellaneous.

I.—GENERAL.

6. The Hon'ble Sir Andrew Fraser, M.A., L L.D., K.C.S.I., Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, visited the State on the 23rd November and was Your Highness's guest till the 29th of that month. He visited most of the State offices and saw the experimental tobacco farm at Nilkothi. We believe we are right in saying His Honour was pleased with all he saw.

7. *Public Works.*—The Victoria College building was completed during the year. The total expenditure on Public Works was Rs. 1,88,253, as compared with Rs. 1,29,399 in the previous year. Of this sum, Rs. 37,597 represent the cost of completing the Victoria College, Rs. 33,500 the price of "Lansdowne" and "Silver Springs" purchased in Darjeeling and Rs. 16,185 the cost of Electric Light installation in the Palace. Repairs to Palaces and civil buildings cost Rs. 29,608, while establishment charges amounted to Rs. 27,695. Details will be found in the Superintendent of State's report.

8. *Advancement of Scientific and Industrial Education of Indians.*—A Scholarship of Rs. 100, split up into two of Rs. 50 each in the previous year under Your Highness's orders, continued to be paid to the District Committee of Cooch Behar for the Advancement of Scientific and Industrial Education of Indians. One of the scholarship-holders, Kumar Amindra Narayan, a cousin of Your Highness, returned from Japan in September last after learning pencil-making, candle-making and some other small industries. He has since obtained a temporary appointment in a Pencil Factory in Madras. The second scholarship-holder, Ansaruddin Ahmed, a son of a well-to-do Cooch Behar Jotedar, is learning leather industry at

Leeds in England. The Central Council in Calcutta is bearing all his additional expenses which are rather large. Ashutosh Datta, B.A., son of a deceased officer of Your Highness, has been lately sent by this Council to America for agricultural education.

9. *Cultivation and Manufacture of Tobacco.*—In the year under review 82 Bighas were placed under cultivation as compared with 13 in the year previous. The total expenditure on the experimental farm was Rs. 13,000 of which Rs. 8,500 was spent on buildings, Rs. 1,765 on establishment and the remainder on purchase of implements and manure, menial labour and miscellaneous charges.

Six apprentices were selected from among boys who had appeared at the Entrance Examination. The physical exposure and hard work proved too much for them and only two will be kept on. The most interesting feature of the year's working was the experiment to cure tobacco yellow by using artificial heat. The bad weather in March prevented this experiment being tried often enough to give a definite result. The reports received regarding the tobacco produced have been encouraging, our aim being to produce a local tobacco which will compare not unfavourably with the unmanufactured leaf imported in large quantities from America. The Superintendent of the State, who takes a personal interest in this undertaking which he initiated, reports that Babu Rajani Kanta Bhowmick worked very well and gave him much assistance, but that not sufficient attention was paid to experimental efforts in different directions.

As regards the manufactory Your Highness has been in correspondence with a French firm with a view to starting a Cigarette Factory on a small scale in or near Calcutta. A preliminary agreement was signed subject to the approval of the Government of India which provides that Your Highness provides Rs. 70,000 capital, the Societè Anonyme des Usines A. E. Decouflè Rs. 80,000 and the promoters of the enterprise who will act as the agents hereafter are to receive paid up shares to value of Rs. 30,000.. Your Highness is given the right to nominate all native employes and the Societè agree to instruct such employes in all details of the business. The Societè will nominate three of the Directors, and Your Highness the remaining two. It is hoped that eventually a large amount of Cooch Behar tobacco may be used in this factory.

10. *Re-settlement of the Town of Cooch Behar.*—The settlement operations went on during the year. We stated in our last report that a loan of Rs. 8,000, being the estimated cost of the operations, had been granted to the Town Committee. As, however, the scope of the work widened with the progress of the operations and the increase in revenue expected was over Rs. 4,500 instead of Rs. 3,000 as originally expected, Your Highness was pleased, on the recommendation of the Dewan of the State, to sanction the grant of an additional sum of Rs. 2,000 for the completion of the settlement work, which amount was advanced to the Cooch Behar Town Committee as before. The Settlement Office was closed at the end of the year. As will be seen in the Dewan's report the total area surveyed including the town and its suburbs was 10·17 square miles. The area in the town proper which came under assessment was 1458 Bighas; the juma assessed was Rs. 17,013-8-1 against the previous juma of Rs. 10,729-8-6, showing a net increase of Rs. 6,283-10-7 which will be distributed over 5 years.

11. *Re-demarcation of the boundary between Cooch Behar and the District of Jalpaiguri.*—The question of demarcating the boundary between Cooch Behar and the District of Jalpaiguri, raised in connection with the last land revenue settlement of the Alipur Duars Sub-division of

that District formed the subject of a long correspondence with the British authorities, and it was finally settled on the recommendation of the Dewan that the boundary was to be relaid according to the later revenue survey of 1868-70. With the consent of Your Highness a special survey establishment was appointed for the purpose, the cost being paid equally by the British Government and the Cooch Behar State. This establishment completed its work in 1898-99 and its line was approved of by Government and accepted by Your Highness. When, however, the maps were forwarded to the Surveyor-General of India, certain mistakes were detected in his office and it became necessary to test in places the work already done. Mr. C. O'Donel, Sub-Assistant Superintendent, Survey of India, was deputed to the work. He found the demarcation of the special establishment was practically correct except near the Jaldhaka River; where an area of nearly 240 acres was found to appertain to Jalpaiguri and not to Cooch Behar. With the object of setting this long standing dispute at rest Your Highness accepted Mr. O'Donel's view and from a letter since received from the Deputy Commissioner of Jalpaiguri it is understood that the line will be marked on the ground during the next field season. As in the case of the survey of 1898-99 the cost of testing has also been borne equally by Government and the Cooch Behar State.

12. *Pleadership Examination.*—A Lower Grade Pleadership Examination was held in the State in December 1906. Only natives of Cooch Behar, who had passed the Entrance Examination, were held eligible for the examination. Out of fourteen such candidates who appeared at the examination, five passed. This was the third examination for pleadership held in the State, the two previous ones having been held in 1886 and in 1896.

13. *Crops and condition of the people.*—Cooch Behar was visited by a very heavy flood in the 1st week of August 1906, which caused no little misery and loss. The flood occurred in all the Sub-divisions but the greatest damage was done to 28 Taluks in the Mathabhanga Sub-division. All the roads suffered more or less, and owing to the destruction of two large bridges and some other breaches on the line from Gitaldah to Cooch Behar, railway communication was suspended for four days from the 5th August. Telegraphic communication was stopped for 24 hours on the 6th of August. Little or no damage was done to jute, the loss to Bitri paddy was about 4 annas, and the late paddy also suffered. Rs. 1,500 were spent in gratuitous relief to the really needy, and a loan, under the Agricultural Loans Act XII of 1884, of Rs. 6,000 was given to the cultivating Jotedars and Chukanidars who really stood in urgent need in those affected Taluks, the maximum amount of the loan not exceeding Rs. 50 in each case. The Dewan submitted to Your Highness through the Council a detailed report on the flood.

There was a serious out break of cholera confined for the most part to the tracts which had been inundated. High prices were obtained for jute and food-grains. The general condition of the people is most prosperous.

14. *Maharaja and Family.*—Your Highness left Cooch Behar for Darjeeling on the 14th of May 1906 and returned to Cooch Behar on the 9th of February 1907. A number of meetings of the Council was held at Darjeeling at which Your Highness presided in July and September 1906.

Maharajkumars Jitendra Narayan and Victor Nityendra Narayan were in the Imperial Cadet Corps, when the year closed. Maharajkumar Hitendra Narayan returned from England. The question of giving special training to the younger Maharajkumars in different subjects has been lately engaging Your Highness's careful attention.

II.—FINANCIAL.

15. The opening cash balance of the year under report was Rs. 11,20,168 inclusive of Government Money and deposits (amounting to Rs. 2,25,071,) and the closing cash balance was Rs. 11,45,127 inclusive of deposits and Government Money (Rs. 2,87,411) resulting in an increase of Rs. 24,959. The following gives the details of the State cash :—

	At the close of 1905-06.	At the close of 1906-07.
Cooch Behar State	7,51,224	7,07,648
Chaklajat	1,43,873	1,50,068
Total	8,95,097	8,57,716

It will appear from the above that the cash balance of the State shows a decrease of Rs. 37,381. But if the sum of Rs. 1,00,000 (exclusive of Rs. 8,57,716 referred to above) which was invested in Government securities out of the cash balance during the year under report, be taken into account, the State cash balance will show an increase of Rs. 62,619.

In addition to this total credit of Rs. 9,57,716 the State holds the following sums to the credit of the Children's Fund and Reserve Fund as compared with the previous year :—

	At the close of 1905-06.	At the close of 1906-07.
Children's Fund	3,66,800	5,27,900
Reserve Fund	1,51,000	2,01,040

As provided in the budget for the year under review Rs. 1,60,000 as representing the annual contribution of one lakh, plus half the price of the Simla property in accordance with Your Highness's wishes as expressed at the time of the sale, was paid into the Children's Fund. It was found during the year that the contemplated addition of 1,06,000 to the Reserve Fund could not, in view of unavoidable expenditure, be made, and Rs. 56,000 was re-appropriated to administrative expenditure,—Rs. 10,050 in connection with Experimental Agriculture and Rs. 33,404 as grain compensation allowance, the remaining Rs. 12,546 on various small accounts.

16. *Revenue.*—The statement given in the Appendix will show that the total revenue of the year under report was Rs. 24,79,204 against Rs. 24,15,679 of the year previous, shewing an improvement of Rs. 63,525. The increase is to be found in the improved receipts under Household Rs. 2,295, Stamps Rs. 4,638, Jail Rs. 4,355, Darjeeling Estates Rs. 17,655, Chaklajat Estates Rs. 10,266, Cooch Behar State Railway Rs. 24,776 and minor increases under other heads of the budget amounting to Rs. 6,699. There were some decreases in Land Revenue Rs. 5,262 and Debutter Rs. 1,897. We are glad that the decrease under Revenue and Debutter was not larger. The floods in August at one time seemed likely to cause a considerable suspension if not a remission of revenue. Happily, it was eventually found that the affected area was not large, and the steps taken (which are detailed in the Dewan's report) were fully sufficient to prevent hardship without any serious detriment to the State Revenue.

17. *Expenditure.*—The total expenditure for the year amounted to Rs. 24,19,482 against Rs. 23,30,670 of the previous year, or an increase of Rs. 88,812, resulting in a surplus of Rs. 59,722 as against a budget estimate of Rs. 45,337.

The following are the chief items of the increase in expenditure :—

		Rs
Household		2,85,663
Administration		52,614
Debutter		1,947
Your Highness's Estates		2,144
Cooch Behar State Railway		39,611
Railway Capital Expenditure		5,000
	Total ...	3,36,979
DEDUCT—		
Decrease on account of repayment of Railway loan	86,107	2,48,367
Ditto. repayment of Alliance Bank Loan	1,62,260	
		88,612

The increased expenditure under Household was due mainly to an increased expenditure of Rs. 83,611 for Your Highness's purely personal expenses, Rs. 60,000 for the Children's Fund, Rs. 19,146 for Shooting Camp, Rs. 15,551 for Band and to the expenditure of Rs. 56,044 in connection with bills incurred for decorating Woodlands at the time of Their Royal Highness' visit which were adjusted after the close of 1905-06.

Your Highness reserved Rs. 3,50,000 for personal expenditure, while a further provision of Rs. 64,455 was made under this head in the Budget to adjust certain advances taken in previous years. These were duly adjusted. The total sum of Rs. 4,14,455 was increased during the year by an addition of Rs. 44,913, of which Rs. 35,000 were required on account of expenses incurred in connection with Her Highness's visit to England.

The increase under the head Administration is due to the purchase, with the sanction of Government, of the locations known as Lansdowne and Silver Springs, adjoining Colinton, the price being Rs. 33,500. An increased provision of Rs. 10,000 was made for the experimental tobacco farm and throughout the State and Zemindaries grain compensation allowance amounting to Rs. 33,404 was given on the following system :—

(1). At Re. 1 per month to all servants drawing Rs. 10 per month and under for nine months with a month's pay as bonus.

(2). A bonus of one month's pay to all officers drawing a monthly salary exceeding Rs. 10 and not exceeding Rs. 30.

(3). A bonus of half a month's pay to all officers drawing a salary exceeding Rs. 30 but not exceeding Rs. 50 per month.

18. *Chaklajat Estates.*—Together with Rs. 24,037 credited as miscellaneous receipts the total collections amounted to Rs. 4,47,608, which exceeded those for the previous year by Rs. 10,266. This satisfactory result is attributed to increase in demand due to new settlements and to the rise in price of jute and food-grains. In the amount of miscellaneous receipts is included a sum of Rs. 5,000, being the proceeds of sale to Government of the house in the town of Jalpaiguri known as the Nripendra Narayan Hall. The expenditure, amounting to Rs. 2,51,501, exceeded that for the previous year by Rs. 2062, owing to payment of grain compensation allowance.

19. *Panga.*—The collections for Panga amounted to Rs. 31,648, showing a slight increase of Rs. 456 over the figure for the previous year. There was an increase of Rs. 1062 due to the settlement operations under expenditure. A further deposit of Rs. 8,900 was made to Government for expenses connected with the Panga Settlement, thus bringing up the total deposit to Rs. 57,900 against the original estimate of Rs. 30,000. A half of the above deposit of Rs. 8,900 was, as before, advanced to our co-sharer

Kumar Debendra Narain. The cost having already largely exceeded the original estimate and the Kumar also having expressed his inability to bear further expenditure, it was decided not to apply for settlement of fair rent by the Settlement Officer, whose operations closed at Panga during the year. We shall have to make our own arrangement for amicably settling the rent. The Kumar, we are glad to state, has agreed to join us in this work. Contrary to our expectations the Director of Land Records and Agriculture, Eastern Bengal and Assam, has refused to recover proportionate costs of settlement from the undertenants. The settlement has thus proved most expensive; the original estimate framed by Government having been very nearly doubled, and there being no recoveries.

20. *Darjeeling Estate.*—This was under the direct management of the Superintendent of the State.

The total revenue obtained during 1906 was Rs. 66,579, the total expenditure Rs. 44,303.

In the appendix, as stated above, the revenue shows an increase of Rs. 17,655. This is, however, more apparent than real, as the figures for 1905 relate only to nine months of the year, those for 1906 to the full calendar year. Rs. 6,333 were spent on original works, Rs. 8,185 in final adjustment of the cost of introducing electric light into the houses and Rs. 3,000 was added to the Insurance Fund in the Treasury, which now stands at Rs. 9,915.

During the year a house was commenced for the Dewan of the State on the upper Castleton site.

21. *Budget Estimate for* 1907-08.—The revenue for the year has been estimated at Rs. 24,11,442 against Rs. 23,56,219 of 1906-07 and Rs. 22,80,863 of 1905-06, showing an increase of Rs. 55,223 and of Rs. 1,30,579 respectively.

The expenditure has been put down at Rs. 23,62,350, leaving a surplus of Rs. 49,092. The provision under Children's Fund is Rs. 1,60,000 and under Reserve Fund Rs. 50,000.

Your Highness has reserved a sum of Rs. 4,00,000 for purely personal expenses. In addition to this a provision under this head has been made of Rs. 59,000 for adjustment of advances, of Rs. 70,000 for purchase of shares in the proposed Cigarette Company, giving a total of Rs. 5,29,000. Advances to the amount of Rs. 17,000 remain unadjusted of which Rs. 15,000 represent the sum guaranteed by Your Highness for the Indian Industrial Exhibition, and which, we hope, may be recovered. We would draw Your Highness's attention to the increased expenditure on the Band, a sum of Rs. 38,000, being provided in the Budget for 1907-08, the expenditure in 1906-07 being Rs. 38,685, whereas for the three past years expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 57,695. The provision for Shooting Camp remains at Rs. 16,000.

In paragraph 23 of last year's report we alluded to Your Highness's desire to make Colinton and Woodlands appanages of the State. In the year under review, it was directed that Silver Springs and Lansdowne should be included with Colinton. A difficulty has, however, arisen regarding the nature of the deed necessary to secure these properties in perpetuity to the Ruling Chief, and it is probable that the assistance of the India Government will have to be invoked.

III.—COOCH BEHAR STATE RAILWAY AND MISCELLANEOUS

22. The following statement shows the revenue, results and traffic working of the line during the year of report as compared with the previous year :—

		For the year.	
		1905.	1906
Gross earnings	Rs.	1,48,488	1,68,755
Working expenses	„	62,255	90,940
Net earnings	„	86,233	77,815
Percentage of working expenses on gross earnings ...		41·09	53·89
Percentage of net earnings on Capital Outlay including Suspense		5·8	5·23

23. The floods in August damaged the line and the cost of repairs amounting to Rs. 35,261 has at present been debited to special revenue. We pointed out that under the agreement then in force repairs which were admittedly of a temporary nature should be regarded as being part of the ordinary charges of the maintenance of the line. This charge of Rs. 35,261 to "special revenue" accounts for the large increase in the working expenses. It is otherwise satisfactory to notice that the gross earnings increased by over Rs. 20,000.

24. *Capital expenditure.*—The provision made for capital expenditure was Rs. 5,000 during the year of report.

The question of the conversion of the 2'-6" gauge to metre gauge has been under discussion, and we hope that if, as suggested by the Manager of the Eastern Bengal State Railway, Col. Cowie, R.E., the rolling stock is purchased by Government, we may be able at an early date to deposit the cost of conversion estimated roughly at four lakhs of rupees without having recourse to a loan for the purpose.

25. *Working Agreement of the Cooch Behar State Railway.*—An agreement was entered into, during the year under report, between the Secretary of State in Council for India and Your Highness for the working of the Cooch Behar State Railway by the Eastern Bengal State Railway Administration. Under the agreement, which came into effect from the 1st of January 1907, the Eastern Bengal State Railway will maintain and work the Cooch Behar State Railway, will have the entire control of the trains and traffic arrangements, appoint the necessary staff and provide all necessary labour and materials for the proper and efficient maintenance and working of the railway and will receive 40 per cent. of the gross earnings, the balance 60 per cent. being made over to Your Highness. But when the stock of the Eastern Bengal State Railway is used for the conveyance of any traffic on the Cooch Behar State Railway, the Eastern Bengal State Railway will receive 45 per cent. of the gross earnings, obtained from the use of such stock. The only important change made in the agreement is that the State will provide funds for making good all damage to the Railway and works, which shall be due to extraordinary casualty affecting the same of such a nature that in accordance with the custom or practice on Indian Railways, the cost of making good such damage, would not be made a charge against Revenue as part of the ordinary expenses of maintaining and repairing the Railway.

26. *Municipalities.*—The statement below shows the receipt and expenditure of the four Town Committees during the year of report:—

RECEIPTS.

	Cooch Behar.			Dinhata.			Mathabhanga.			Haldibari.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Cash balance on 1st April 1906	5,836	14	3	187	1	1	1,781	12	6	813	13	5
State grant	17,600	0	0	1,148	0	0	1,500	0	0	1,900	0	0
Other receipts	25,861	2	0	5,362	4	2	2,392	2	3	1,307	3	0
Total ...	49,298	0	3	6,697	5	3	5,673	14	9	4,021	0	5

EXPENDITURE.

	Cooch Behar.			Dinhata.			Mathabhanga.			Haldibari.		
Public Works ...	15,366	0	0	3,286	12	3	1,321	14	0	1,676	8	0
Other expenditure ...	31,489	4	10	2,697	2	8	2,806	5	9	1,506	0	0
Total ...	46,855	4	10	5,965	14	11	4,128	3	9	3,182	8	0
Cash balance on 31st March 1907	2,442	11	5	731	6	4	1,545	11	0	838	8	5

27. *Pensions and Allowances.*—Your Highness sanctioned during the year of report pensions and allowances aggregating Rs. 2,056 per annum.

We have the honour to be,

YOUR HIGHNESS'S

Most obedient servants,

E. L. L. HAMMOND,
Superintendent of the State, Vice-President.

CALICA DOSS DUTT,
Dewan of the State, Member.

PRIYANATH DATTA,
Civil and Sessions Judge of the State,
Judicial Member.

RAJ RAJENDRA NARAYAN, *Maharajkumar,*
Extraordinary Member.

APPENDIX.

Statement showing the Revenue and Expenditure of the Cooch Behar State for the years 1905-06 and 1906-07.

REVENUE.	Actuals for 1905-06.	Actuals for 1906-07.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I.—Household.—	24,437	26,732	2,295	.....
II.—General Revenue.—				
a. Land Revenue	12,73,472	12,68,210	.....	5,262
b. Stamps	1,66,004	1,70,642	4,638	.....
c. Excise.	1,12,229	1,12,855	626	.....
d. Interest on Loans	1,586	3,181	1,595	.....
e. Sundries	7,176	8,641	1,465	.....
III.—Law and Justice —				
a. Civil and Sessions Court	534	462	.....	72
b. Registration	10,827	10,511	.....	316
IV.—Miscellaneous.				
a. Criminal Justice	7,571	7,240	.....	331
b. Jail	9,144	13,499	4,355	.....
c. Education, Science and Arts ...	10,730	10,691	.....	39
d. Public Works...	10,045	11,514	1,469	.....
e. Sundries.	3,309	5,154	1,845	.....
V.—Debutter.	1,11,412	1,09,515	.....	1,897
VI.—His Highness' Estates.—				
a. Darjeeling Estate	48,924	66,579	17,655	.....
b. Chaklajat Estates	4,37,342	4,47,608	10,266	.....
c. Panga Estate	31,191	31,648	457	.....
VII.—Cooch Behar State Railway ...	1,49,746	1,74,522	24,776	.....
Total ...	24,15,679	24,79,204	63,525	.....

EXPENDITURE.	Actuals for 1905-06.	Actuals for 1906-07.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I.—Household Expenses.—				
a. His Highness' Personal expenses ...	3,76,000	4,59,368	83,368	.....
b. Rajbari garden &c.	5,990	6,233	243	.....
Total of strictly Personal expenses ...	3,81,990	4,65,601	83,611	.....
c. Maintenance of Rajgans and education of Maharajkumars.	1,20,053	1,31,791	11,738	.....
d. Phulkhana and stables	42,447	33,942	.....	8,505
e. Band	20,827	38,685	17,858	.....
f. Miscellaneous...	1,53,869	2,84,830	1,30,961	.....
Total Household expenses ...	7,19,186	9,54,849	2,35,663	.....
II.—Administration.—				
1. Control	1,08,873	71,195	.....	37,678
2. General	4,69,028	5,40,201	71,173	.....
3. Revenue	1,75,854	1,92,952	17,098	.....
4. Law and Justice	54,416	57,497	3,081	.....
5. Miscellaneous...	69,513	68,453	.....	1,060
III.—Debutter.	48,827	50,774	1,947	.....
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a. Darjeeling Estate	45,283	44,303	.....	980
b. Chaklajat Estates	2,49,439	2,51,501	2,062	.....
c. Panga Estate	30,072	31,134	1,062	.....
V.—Cooch Behar State Railway	62,012	1,01,623	39,611	.....
VI.—Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000	.....	.....
Total ...	20,82,503	24,14,482	3,31,979	.....
Railway Capital Expenditure	.....	5,000	5,000	.....
Repayment of Railway Loan	86,107	.....	.....	86,107
Ditto of Alliance Bank Loan ...	1,62,260	.....	.....	1,62,260
Total ...	23,30,870	24,19,482	88,612	.....
Surplus ...	84,809	59,722	.....	25,087
Grand total ...	24,15,679	24,79,204	63,525	.....

His Highness' Office, Audit Department,
The 26th July 1907.

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Accountant-General, Cooch Behar State.

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To

HIS HIGHNESS the MAHARAJA BHUP BAHADUR

IN COUNCIL, COOCH BEHAR.

Dated, Cooch Behar, the 22nd August 1907.

Your Highness,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report for the year 1906-07 on all the Departments of the State, directly under my control.

I.—ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

2. The charge of the Department remained with Babu Hari Das Mukherji throughout the year.

3. The table below gives the number of cognizable and non-cognizable cases instituted during the past three years:—

Years.	Offences.		Total.
	Cognizable.	Non-cognizable.	
1904-1905	1,609	1,517	3,126
1905-1906	1,609	1,720	3,329
1906-1907	1,597	1,779	3,376

The number of cases reported during the year was 3376 against 3329 in the preceding year, shewing an increase of only 47 cases due to the increase in minor cognizable petition cases and petty non-cognizable cases. This slight increase needs no explanation.

4. *Number of persons brought to trial and percentage of conviction to number of persons tried.*—The following statement gives the number of cases reported and the number of persons brought to trial and their result during the past three years:—

Particulars.	1904-1905.			1905-1906.			1906-1907.		
	Cognizable.	Non cognizable.	Total.	Cognizable.	Non-cognizable.	Total.	Cognizable.	Non-cognizable.	Total.
Number of cases reported	1,609	1,517	3,126	1,609	1,720	3,329	1,597	1,779	3,376
Number of persons brought to trial ...	1,103	1,163	2,266	1,206	1,326	2,532	1,108	1,239	2,347
Convicted	728	608	1,336	762	759	1,521	720	660	1,380
Released	291	489	780	378	522	900	276	255	531
Otherwise disposed of	1	1	2	6	3	9	54	223	*277
Pending at the end of the year	83	65	148	60	42	102	58	101	159
Percentage of conviction to total number tried	71·44	55·42	63·13	66·84	59·25	62·82	72·28	72·18	72·21

*This includes acquittal under sections 247, 248, 259, 345 and 494, Criminal Procedure Code.

The percentage of conviction has increased slightly in both cognizable and non-cognizable cases from 66·84 and 59·25 in 1905-06 to 72·28 and 72·13, respectively, in the year under review.

5. *Abstract of Heinous offences.*—There was only one case of Murder reported. Both the accused in this case were acquitted by the Sessions Court. Five cases of Culpable Homicide were reported, and in all these cases the accused were convicted and sentenced by the Sessions Court. One case of Rape was reported and ended in the conviction of the accused. The two cases of Dacoity, reported during the year, ended in the acquittal of the accused. Of the 33 cases of Kidnapping, including 7 pending from the previous year, three remained pending at the close of the year, leaving 30 to be accounted for. Of these, two ended in conviction and the others were dismissed or declared false. One case of Robbery, reported from Mekligunj, ended in conviction.

6. *Appeals.*—In cases in which 1232 persons were punished, 100 appeals were preferred (including the four pending from the year before). Of these, 58 were heard by the Sessions Judge and 42 by the Fouzdari Ahilkar. In 66 the order of the lower Court was confirmed: in 2, appeals were rejected: in 12, orders were modified: and in 19, orders were reversed: while one was pending in the file of the Fouzdari Ahilkar.

7. *Result of Sessions trial.*—The statement below shows the results of commitment to the Court of Sessions:—

Names of committing officers.	No. of cases.	No. of persons committed.	No. of persons convicted.	No. of persons released.	Otherwise disposed of.	Remaining pending.	Percentage of conviction.
Sudder.							
1. Babu Hari Das Mukherji, Fouzdari Ahilkar ..	5	7	4	2	...	1	66·66
Toofangunj.							
2. Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi, Naib Ahilkar.	1	1	1	...	...	...	100
3. Babu Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, Offg. Naib Ahilkar.	3	16	...	4	...	12	0·0
Dinhata.							
4. Babu Gopal Chandra Chatterji, Naib Ahilkar.	3	4	3	...	1	...	100
Mathabhanga.							
5. „ Ashutosh Ghosh, Naib Ahilkar ...	3	5	...	3	...	2	0·0
Mekligunj.							
6. „ Hari Nath Basu, Naib Ahilkar ...	2	3	1	...	2	...	100
Total ...	17	36	9	9	3	15	50

It will be seen that the percentage of conviction fell off from 66·6 to 50·0 during the year. Three cases remained pending at the close of the year. A short history of one of the three cases, disposed of subsequent to the close of the year, is given below.

One Abual Khayer Mahomed Ibrahim had obtained admission into the 1st year class of the local College on a forged transfer certificate purporting to be signed by the Principal, Jagannath College, Dacca. The boy on being questioned, confessed to having committed the offence. In the interests of the University, apart from the ends of justice, he was committed to the Court of Sessions for trial on a charge under section 471, Indian Penal Code. The case ended in conviction and the accused student was sentenced to simple imprisonment for two months and a fine of Rs 100. The fine has been paid.

8. *Detention of Witnesses.*—The table below shows the detention of witnesses in the several Courts in the State:—

Name and designation of Magistrate.	Number of witnesses who appeared during the year.	Number of witnesses examined.	Number of witnesses discharged without examination.	Number of witnesses not examined and finally discharged.	Detention of witnesses entered in columns 3 and 4 for— One day.	Two days.	Three days.	Four days.	Five to seven days.	Eight to fifteen days.	More than fifteen days.
Sudder.											
Babu Hari Das Mukherji, Fouzdari Ahilkar	991	955	30	6	929	86	13	7	...	...	...
„ Pramatha Nath Chatterji, Naib Ahilkar	295	187	63	45	137	77	31	1	4	...	...
„ Pramatha Nath Chatterji, Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	13	3	10	...	10	3	...	...	...	...	...
„ Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	480	366	114	...	404	42	25	9	...	...	...
„ Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	75	60	15	...	68	7	...	...	...	...	...
„ Rajani Kanta Bhaumick, Addl. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	32	24	8	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, Addl. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	545	344	172	29	439	60	17	...	...	...	...
Rai Chaudhuri Mon Mohan Buxi, Honorary Magistrate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	2,431	1,939	412	80	2,019	225	86	17	4	...	...
Toofangunj.											
Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi, Naib Ahilkar.	313	299	14	...	306	7	...	...	...	...	...
Babu Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, Offg. Naib Ahilkar.	421	421	...	...	400	21	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	734	720	14	...	706	28	...	...	...	...	...
Dinhata.											
Babu Gopal Chandra Chatterji, Naib Ahilkar	954	629	304	21	687	195	36	15	...	...	...
„ Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	43	28	15	...	19	18	4	2	...	...	...
„ Uma Nath Dutt, Offg Sub-Naib Ahilkar	624	352	211	61	251	207	91	11	3	...	...
Total ...	1,621	1,009	530	82	957	420	131	28	3	...	...
Mathabhanga.											
Babu Ashutosh Ghosh, Naib Ahilkar ...	673	613	54	6	568	74	14	7	4	...	...
„ Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	61	60	1	...	56	2	3	...	...	...	...
„ Uma Nath Dutt, Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	73	59	14	...	48	21	4	...	...	...	...
„ Bama Charan Neogi, Sub-Naib Ahilkar	506	409	82	15	344	111	36	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,313	1,141	151	21	1,016	208	57	7	4	...	...
Mekligunj.											
Babu Hari Nath Basu, Naib Ahilkar ...	755	608	134	13	609	109	19	2	3	...	...
Haldibari.											
Bench of Honorary Magistrates ...	165	153	12	...	121	40	4	...	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	7,019*	5,570	1,253	196	5,428	1,030	297	54	14	...	...

* Including 69 persons of the previous year.

Of the 7019 witnesses who appeared, 5428 were detained for one day only. The results in the Sudder, Toofangunj and Mekligunj are good.

9. *Summary of cases for recovery of wives.*—Eighty-two petitions were filed during the year and six were pending enquiry from the year before. Of the 88 cases, 41 were struck off. In 27 cases the wives were made over to their husbands; in 13 cases, in which the wives denied the marriage, the parties were referred to the Civil Court. Seven cases remained pending at the close of the year.

Several cases, in which wives desert their husbands, are not brought to the notice of the Courts. The people are aware that, if the wives (who are

completely in the hands of the paramour or of the mercenary parents) deny the marriage, the Fouzdari Courts can do nothing but refer the aggrieved husband to the Civil Court. A civil suit is both expensive and harassing. The Fouzdari Ahilkar reports that several well-to-do local Mahomedans think that the introduction of the Marriage Registration Act for the registration of both Hindu and Mahomedan marriages, as is in force in Government Districts, may be of great help in the State. He further states that there will be no difficulty in connection with the working of a simple Act on the lines of the Government Act I of 1876. The question will be referred to Council.

10. *Village Chowkidars.*—The number of Chowkidars was 1,574 against 1,570 of the previous year. The number of Chowkidars was increased by 4 in Sudder and Toofangunj.

The introduction of the amended Chowkidari Act into the whole State has so far proved a success. The Bakijay system has been discontinued and the number of Bakijays has fallen to nil. During my tours of inspections I made enquiries and am glad to report that the Punchayets do their work voluntarily. The statement below shows the working of the Chowkidari Fund :—

Name of Sub-division.	TOTAL DEMAND.			Amount realized during the year.	Amount remained unrealized on the 31st March.	Amount of fine realized.	Amount of penalties realized.	Miscellaneous receipts.	Total of columns 5, 7, 8 and 9.
	Total amount of annual fund deductions.	Balance of the previous years.	Total.						
					107 13 6				
					19 14 9*				
Sudder .	1,202 8 3	530 7 9	1,733 0 0	1,605 3 9	127 12 3	14 6 0	44 4 6	21 7 9	1,685 6 0
Toofangunj ..	737 13 0	53 0 0	790 13 0	678 10 9	112 2 3	10 6 0	12 12 6	.....	701 13 3
Dinhata ..	1,363 14 4	510 10 8	1,874 9 0	1,618 11 0	255 14 0	34 2 0	67 15 0	.....	1,720 12 0
Mathabhanga ..	1,750 8 0	357 6 0	2,107 14 0	1,875 2 3	232 11 9	6 6 0	16 0 6	272 12 0	2,170 4 9
					5 10 0				
					5 7 9*				
Mekliganj ..	857 12 9	155 10 10	1,013 7 7	1,002 5 10	11 1 9	27 0 0	37 0 3	26 5 1	1,092 11 2
					714 3 6				
					25 6 6*				
Total ..	5,912 8 4	1,607 3 3	7,519 11 7	6,780 1 7	739 10 0	92 4 0	178 0 9	320 8 10	7,370 15 2

* Rs. 25-6-6 proved irrecoverable and written off accordingly.

The minimum and maximum pay of Chowkidars was Rs. 4-8-6 and Rs. 6 in the year as during the preceding year. Rs. 824 was paid to Chowkidars as Rewards, Gratuity and Khoraki.

A proposal for raising the pay and status of Chowkidars is under consideration.

11. *Cattle Pounds.*—The number of Cattle Pounds was 83 against 80 of the previous year, showing an increase of 3 only, and the gross receipts from the Pounds amounted to Rs 10,279-4-9 against Rs. 9,406-0-3. Deducting Rs. 709-15, the cost of maintenance and establishment and the rewards paid for destroying stray dogs, the net profit to the State was Rs. 9,569-5-9 against Rs. 8,716-7 for the preceding year.

12. *Haldibari Bench.*—The Bench at Haldibari continues to do useful work. 128 cases were tried during the year against 231 of the previous year. The increase in the year previous was due to the introduction of the new rule for the registration of carts.

13. *The Veterinary Institution and Cattle Disease and Rabies.*—Cattle disease was reported from the interior of all the Sub-divisions. The Veterinary Assistant visited several of the Talooks where cattle disease prevailed, and gave medicines and instruction to the people. The Veterinary Institution proved useful. There were 192 deaths against 832 in the preceding year.

Seven persons who were bitten by rabid dogs and jackals were sent to the Pasteur Institute at Kasauli for treatment at State cost. Of these, 2 died; one at Kasauli while under treatment and the other subsequent to his return. The rest are reported to be doing well.

14. *Weather, crop and condition of the people.*—The year under review was unique in many respects. On the 22nd May a severe tornado passed over the town and adjacent villages, affecting more or less the country between Baneswar and Bhetaguri.

Many of the big trees in the town and the avenues were blown down and obstructed the roads for a day or two. Some corrugated sheds were blown off and railway waggons were swept down from the station yard.

There was a heavy flood about the beginning of August, causing serious damage to the roads and bridges, and the railway line was breached in several places. Through traffic and the telegraphic and postal communications were suspended.

Some Talooks to the north of Mathabhanga Sub-division suffered most and every assistance was rendered to the people of these places.

The price of food-grains was very high during the year and the interruption of through communication increased the rise in the price as further import was suspended.

The price of jute also was above the average. The extraordinary high price of jute helped to relieve the distress of the people arising from high price of food-grains.

A flight of locusts passed over the State in November. They took a north-westerly direction and did only a slight damage to the Rabi crops of a few Talooks in the State.

II.—POLICE.

15. *Charge.*—The charge of the Department remained, throughout the year, with Kumar Gojendra Narayan, except for 25 days when he was on privilege leave, and the Senior Inspector, Babu Joti Nath Chatterji, held charge of the office.

16. *Cost.*—The budget provision was Rs. 54,914, while the expenditure was Rs. 53,745. The saving was due to unexpended pay and casualties. During the year the cost of the force employed on purely police work, *viz.*, (Rs. 14,300) or 4·84 pies per head of population, was the same as in the year preceding.

17. *Proportion of Police to Population and Crime.*—The following table will shew the proportion of Police on purely police work (prevention and detection of crime) to population and crime and that of crime to population in the State, during the last two years :—

Year.	Police	Population.	Cognizable Crime.	Proportion of Police to population.	Proportion of Police to cases of cognizable crime investigated.	Proportion of cognizable crime investigated to population.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1905-06	134	5,66,973	1,093	1 to 4231·1	1 to 3·15	1 to 518·73
1906-07	134	5,66,973	1,057	1 to 4231·1	1 to 7·88	1 to 533·39

18. *Crime.*—Including the 13 cases pending enquiry with the Police, the number of cognizable cases (taken up *Suo-motu* by the Police) was 927 against 940 in the year preceding. The decrease in the number is very small. Of this, 269 were sent up in A Form, of which 9 were declared false by the Magistrate : one case in B "false" : 223 in C "true" and 102 in C "false." In 103 cases investigation was refused : 9 were pending investigation at the close of the year : and 220 were non-first information cases. It will be seen that in 223 cases (C "true") the Police failed to trace any offender. The percentage of conviction in Police cognizable cases has fallen from 74·05 to 72·28 during the year under review.

The table below shows in detail the proportion of cognizable crime reported to population and area in the five Sub-divisions of the State :—

Details.		Names of Sub-Divisions.					
		Sudder.	Toofangunj.	Dinhata.	Mathabhanga.	Mekligunj.	Total.
Area in square-miles ...		284	223	269	336	197	1307
Population		1,21,609	73,438	1,43,900	1,40,183	87,843	5,66,973
Cognizable Crime.	Pending at the beginning of the year.	36	6	13	15	7	77
	Reported during the year.	489	192	296	398	222	1,597
	Pending at the end of the year.	60	10	3	13	4	90
	Disposed of during the year.	465	188	306	400	225	1,584
Proportion of cognizable crime reported to population.		1 to 248·68	1 to 382·48	1 to 486·14	1 to 352·21	1 to 395·68	1 to 355·02
Proportion of crime to area.		1 to ·58	1 to 1·16	1 to ·90	1 to ·84	1 to ·88	1 to ·81

19. *False Cases.*—The number of cases in which forms were used by the Police in the year under report was 648. 140 or 21·6 per cent. of the above were declared false owing to mistake of facts, law or otherwise. 14 prosecutions for false cases were instituted against 7 of the previous year. There were 4 cases of this nature pending with the Magistrates at the beginning of the year, making a total of 18 cases for disposal. Of these, 7 ended in conviction : 8 in discharge or acquital : and 3 cases remained pending at the close of the year. The percentage of conviction was 46·6 against 33·3 of the year before.

20. *Petition Cases.*—During the year 143 petition cases were referred to the Police by the Magistrates for investigation. Of these, five were sent up in A form, 20 in C "true", 28 in C "false" and 90 were reported summarily.

21. *Stolen Property.*—The comparative statement below shows the amount of property stolen and recovered during the past two years:—

Amount of property stolen.		Amount of property recovered.		Percentage of recovery.	
1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.
Rs. A. P. 8,345 0 0	Rs. A. P. 6,351 0 0	Rs. A. P. 3,143 0 0	Rs. A. P. 2,031 0 0	37·66	31·97

22. *Investigation of cases by Police Officers.*—The details of investigation held by various Police Officers are given below:—

By Inspectors	7
,, Sub-Inspectors...	619
,, Head-constables	22
Refused investigation	103
Total ...	751

23. *Remands in Police Cases*—The following table shows the cases which have undergone the longest hearing.—

Names of trying Magistrates.	No. of remands.	No. of case with offence and section.	Date of 'A' form.	Date of final order.	Duration of trial.	Orders.	REMARKS.
Babu Hari Das Mukherji ..	8	No. 3 of July 06, P. S. Kotwali, Sec. 324, I.P.C.	23-7-06	1-11-06	102 days	Convicted.	
,, Narasinha Chandra Ghosh ...	4	No. 6 of May 06, P. S. Kotwali, sec. 379, I.P.C.	17-5-06	18-6-06	33 days	Do.	
,, Gopal Chandra Chatterji ..	13	No. 7 of Sept. 06, P. S. Dinhata, Sec. 379, I.P.C.	29-9-06	21-12-06	84 days	Do.	
,, Satis Chandra Mustafi ..	10	No. 5 of June 06, P.S. Tufanganj Secs. 457 and 324, I. P. C.	22-6-06	22-8-06	62 days	Do.	
,, Ashutosh Ghosh	13	No. 3 of May 06, P. S. Mathabhanga. Secs. 307& 326, I.P.C.	7-5-06	19-11-06	197 days	Do.	
,, Ashutosh Ghosh	13	No. 6 of Sept. 06, P.S. Mathabhanga. Secs. 147 & 447, I.P.C.	18-9-06	20-12-06	93 days	Do.	
,, Ashutosh Ghosh	5	No. 1 of Nov. 06, P.S. Mathabhanga Secs. 457& 511, I.P.C.	8-11-06	18-2-07	108 days	Acquitted.	
,, Hari Nath Basu	7	No. 3 of May 06, P. S. Haldibari Sec. 117, I.P.C.	5-6-06	30-7-06	56 days	Convicted.	
,, Hari Nath Basu	5	No. 2 of Dec. 06, P.S. Mekliganj Secs. 147 and 323, I. P. C.	10-12-06	12-1-07	34 days	Do.	

24. *Unnatural Deaths*—One hundred and sixty-three cases of unnatural deaths, as detailed below, were reported during the year against one hundred and forty-three of the year previous.

Details	
Drowning	82
Suicide	13
Snake-bite...	39
Killed by wild beasts	4
Other causes	25
Total	163

25. *Absconders*—During the year one convict absconded from the Mathabhanga Lock-up. The Police Constables from whose custody he had absconded, were punished. The number of absconders was seven against six in the year before. This man has been re-captured after the close of the year.

26. *Judicial Fines.*—Rupees 6,148-12 was imposed as fines during the year. This, together with the amount of Rs 1,292-10-9 outstanding at the close of the year preceding, made the total for realization Rs. 7,441-6-9. Of this sum Rs. 6,019-10 was realized and Rs. 1,421-12-9, remained outstanding. If Rs. 1,000, the amount of fines imposed on Jadu Gopal Mukherji (who has no property of his own) and Durga Charan Sen (who is still at large) be left out, then the balance remaining unrealized would be Rs. 421-12-9. The result is satisfactory.

27. *Rewards and Punishments.*—The table below shows the rewards and punishments in the force during the last two years:—

RANK.	*Judicially.*				*Departmentally.*						*Reward.*			
	1905-1906.		1906-1907.		1905-1906.			1906-1907.			1905-1906.		1906-1907.	
	Indian Penal Code.	Cooch Behar Police Act (Act III of 1898.)	Indian Penal Code.	Cooch Behar Police Act (Act III of 1898.)	Fined.		Dismissed.	Fined.		Dismissed.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
					Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.					
						Rs.			Rs.			Rs.		Rs.
Inspectors	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	50	2	30
Sub-Inspectors	...	...	...	...	4	4-4	...	7	29	...	11	84-14	9	76
Head-constables	...	...	...	...	3	2-8	...	4	4	1	13	148	14	88
Constables	4	5	*4	*2	17	31	13	17	54	8	19	91	31	138-4

* 4 With Fine.

2 „ Imprisonment. (One with rigorous imprisonment and the other with simple imprisonment.)

Of the amount of reward Rs. 18 was awarded in Excise cases: Rs. 15-4 in Arms Act cases: Rs. 10 in target practice: and the balance for detection of offences under the Indian Penal Code. One Head Constable and four Constables were dismissed for misconduct and four Constables for having been judicially punished.

28. *Drill and Target Practice*—The men were regularly drilled and 20 men were put through a course of Ball-firing and 20 through Buck-shot practice, and the usual reward of Rs. 10 and the Musketry Badge were awarded to Constable Hiraman Sing as the best shot.

29. *Good Conduct Stripes.*—The year closed with 121 persons in possession of good conduct stripes against 115 of the previous year.

30. *Retirements*—One Sub-Inspector, two Head Constables and one Constable were retired on pension during the year under review.

31. *Fire.*—There were six cases of fire in the town. No heavy loss was sustained therefrom.

32. *Municipal Police.*—The Cooch Behar Town Police consists of one Head Jemadar and one Junior Jemadar and 21 Chowkidars. Mathabhanga, Haldibari and Dinhata Municipalities have each five Chowkidars.

33. *Street Lighting.*—The Sudder Municipality have 97 street lamps and the Mathabhanga, Haldibari and Dinhata Municipalities have 21, 29 and 28 street lamps respectively.

34. *Finger prints*—Finger impressions of 21 undertrial prisoners and 10 suspects were obtained and sent to the Central Bureaus in Calcutta and

Allahabad. In one case only identity was established. Finger prints of 24 ex-convicts were sent for permanent record in the Central Bureaus.

35. *Arms Act.*—211 Licenses under the Arms Act were issued against 186 in the year preceding.

36. *Vagrancy and Bad Character.*—There were 6 such cases including 4 pending from the previous year against 15 in the year preceding. Five ended in conviction and in 1, the accused were discharged.

37. *Summary.*—I am far from satisfied with the working of this Department. The detective work is very bad: and the cases when sent up appear to be equally mismanaged in Court. Of twelve cases of heinous crime, in which special reports were submitted, the accused were acquitted by the Sessions Court in three cases, in three others the crimes remained undetected and the stolen property, which was a considerable amount, unrecovered, and the accused were in two cases (escape from Police custody) fined Rs. 10 and Rs. 5, respectively. In the 4 other cases (1 of Dacoity and 3 of murder) one of the accused in a murder case was sentenced by the learned Sessions Judge to 3 months rigorous imprisonment, the other accused dying in hajat; in a Dacoity case, the accused was sentenced to 6 months rigorous imprisonment, while in other murder cases the accused were sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for 2 and 3 years respectively.

In several cases the trying Magistrates passed severe strictures on the Police and unless there is during the year a marked improvement, I shall be compelled to suggest to Your Highness the desirability of importing into the ranks of inspecting officers some fresh talent from outside.

I do not, however, attribute this undesirable state of affairs entirely to the Police. The lenient sentences passed by some of the Courts are a direct encouragement to crime, and cases have come before me, where confessions made, it appears, quite voluntarily when away from police influence, have been retracted, and the plea of torture believed without any evidence to support it. The attitude of the Court in similar cases makes a conviction in any important case in which a confession has been recorded, well nigh impossible.

III.—JAIL AND LOCK-UPS.

38. *Charge of the Jail.*— Babu Haridas Mukerji was in charge of the Jail throughout the year.

39. *Jail Population.*—The admissions to the Jail during the year were 322 against 334 in the previous year. Of these, 197 were convicted, 11 Civil prisoners, 111 undertrials and 3 were lunatics.

Of the total Jail population, 300 were discharged, 291 were released, 5 were transferred and 4 died, leaving 109 in the Jail at the close of the year. There was no escape during the year. Of the 291 released, 179 were convicted, 96 undertrials, 14 Civil prisoners and 2 lunatics. Of the 179 convicts released, 161 were released on expiry of sentence, 14 on appeal and 4 under mark system.

Of the 5 prisoners transferred, one was removed to each of the following places:—Pertapgurh, Mazufferpur, Tufangunj, Dinhata and Mekligunj.

40. *Health of Prisoners.*—The health of the prisoners during the year was good. The number of prisoners that died during the year was 4 as compared with 9 in the previous year. One of these died from fever, one from dysentery, one from debility and old age and one from colic and exhaustion.

41. *Employment of Prisoners.*—The industries on which the prisoners were employed were carpentry, grinding wheat, making mustard-oil, weaving gunny cloth, making twine and rope, manufacturing crushed food, manufacturing molasses, manufacturing aërated water, breaking stones for road metal, making bamboo mats and baskets, gardening &c. They were also employed in repairing the Jail building and extra mural work. The number employed on manufacture was 15·26 against 9·51 in the previous year.

42. *Earnings* —The gross earnings for the year were Rs. 3,395-4-6 against Rs 3,200-12 in the preceding year, and the net earnings were Rs 2,089-8 against Rs 1,829-13 in the preceding year. The gross cost of the Jail was Rs 8,374-1-6 against Rs 8,797-1 in the preceding year. The average cost of each prisoner was Rs 94-1-6 against Rs 106-1-10 and the net cost Rs. 55-15-6 against Rs. 67-8-9.

The amount paid into the Treasury during the year was Rs. 13,498-1-6 against Rs 9,134-7-6 in the preceding year. The increase in receipt is ascribed by the Officer-in-charge to the larger sale of crushed food, mustard-oil and soda water during the year under report. The introduction of the soda water industry has proved successful. The collection of outstanding dues was larger during the year than in the preceding year. A statement shewing the financial result is given below:—

SODA-WATER FACTORY.

		Rs	A.	P.
1.	Capital cost (plant and tools)	570	11	9
2.	Recurrent expenses...	649	4	3
3.	Ten per-cent depreciation on capital cost	57	0	0
	Total expenditure ...	706	4	3
4.	Sale proceeds or receipts	980	1	3
	Difference or profit ...	273	13	0

43. *Life Convicts at Port Blair.*—During the year Rs 1,200 was paid to the British Government for the maintenance of 12 Life Convicts against Rs. 1,201-5-6 in 1905-06.

44. *Reconviction and Undertrial Prisoners.*—Fifteen prisoners with previous convictions were admitted into the Jail against 5 in the previous year. The average period of detention of undertrial prisoners was 14·86 days against 17·21 in the previous year. The longest period of detention in Sessions cases was 72 days against 70 days in 1905-06 and in cases tried by Magistrates 34 days against 89 days in the previous year.

45. *Classification of Prisoners.*—The percentage of Hindu and Mahomedan prisoners was 60·40 and 37·05 respectively, whilst the Natives of the State formed 77·15 of the Jail population and 22·84 were foreigners. The percentage of juveniles and females was 3·55 and 1·01 respectively.

46. *Conduct of Prisoners.*—The number of prisoners punished during the year was 123 against 73 in the preceding year. The number of punishments inflicted was larger than that of 1904-05 and 1905-06, shewing the strictness of discipline maintained by the new Jailor. This was most desirable.

47. *Female Prisoners.*—Seven female prisoners were, during the year, admitted into the Jail against five in the previous year. The daily average number was 1·40 as compared with 1·57 in the preceding year.

48. *Juvenile Offenders.*—Ten Juvenile Offenders were, during the year, admitted into the Jail against 11 in the previous year. Their conduct was good.

49. *Lock-ups.*—Four hundred and ninety-seven prisoners were admitted into the four Sub-divisional Lock-ups during the year as against 331 prisoners in the previous year. One prisoner escaped from the Mathabhanga Lock-up during the year. He was recaptured.

50. *Dieting, Water-supply and Inspection.*—Due care was taken in dieting and water-supply. The Superintendent of the State, the Dewan and the Civil and Sessions Judge visited the Jail.

IV.—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

I.—Ordinary.

51. The original sanctioned grant of the Public Works Department for 1906-07 was Rs. 1,61,000. Owing to the purchage of property in Darjeeling, this sum was increased in the Revised Budget, the actual expenditure being Rs. 1,88,253. The grant for the preceding year was Rs. 1,22,400 and the revised grant Rs. 1,30,087 and the actual expenditure was Rs. 1,29,321.

The total receipts of the year were Rs. 11,514 against Rs. 10,045 of the previous year.

52. *Original Works, Civil Buildings.*—The total expenditure on Original Works was Rs 63,398 against Rs 47,651 of the previous year. This sum was expended on the following works :—

(*a*) *Additions to Dewan's Record-room.*—The west verandah of the Record-room was enlarged and enclosed for additional accommodation at a cost of Rs 367.

(*b*) *Madan Mohan Thakurbari*—A corrugated iron roofed shed was erected to provide a place for eating for the poor in the Thakurbari at a cost of Rs 753.

(*c*) *Tennis Court.*—A verandah was added to the Palace Tennis Court at a cost of Rs 1,819. The upper floor was supported on cast iron pillars obtained from dismantling a passage in the Palace, and the roof having wooden supports and the walls of glazed shutters. The lower floor was pucca, finished with a coat of cement and the upper floor planked, coverd with a bamboo mat. The roof being made of corrugated iron sheets. The original estimate was exceeded by Rs 500 on account of the full quantity of old materials included in the estimate not having been available.

(*d*) *Latrines and urinal in the Palace.*—Two pucca latrines, one with two seats and one urinal were constructed in the Palace compound at a cost of Rs. 487.

(*e*) *Godown at Woodlands.*—A corrugated iron roofed shed on brick pillars and venetian doors was constructed over the roof of the godown at Woodlands at a cost of Rs. 907.

(*f*) *Victoria College.*—This building was completed during the year. The foundation was laid by Your Highness on the 29th April 1905. Several additional works had to be done on the suggestion of Your Highness, such as extra height of plinth, widening the doors and windows and sun-shades &c. The length of the building is 227′-6″ and the breadth 77′-10″. The building is divided into five blocks, comprising 13 rooms, the blocks being divided by five moveable, one brick-built, and two temporary partition walls. Three porches have been enclosed so as to form three rooms, while two corners have been made into two rooms, one intended for the Duftry and the other divided into two parts forming two water closets. The height of the building varies from 13′ to 22′, overtopped by various designs. The floor rests on arches, paved with artificial stones. The steps are topped with Mirzapur stone slabs. Lightning conductor, punkhas, and drains have been provided. Water connections have been provided by pipes being laid from the adjoining well and the distribution of the water to the practical classes of Science being arranged by placing a tank over the roof.

Urinals and latrines have been provided. The compound measuring 10·17 acres including that of the Jenkins School has been enclosed by a wire fence.

The total amount sanctioned for the building including the cost for improvement of the site was Rs. 60,000. The adjustment during the year was Rs. 37,597 against a provision of Rs 36,281. Under the recent University Regulations some additional accommodation will be added, if found necessary.

(g) *Electric Light Installation.*—The old wiring was replaced by new wires at a cost of Rs. 6,409.

A separate new engine shed was constructed at a cost of Rs. 9,776. The engine house is 69′–2″ in length and 34′–6″ in breadth, divided into three rooms: one 32′ × 15′ for the boiler, one 35′ × 32′ for the dynamo and the engine, one 32′ × 15′ for the battery and workshop. A wing 24′–1″ × 15′–4″ divided into two rooms 12′ × 6′ with a verandah 6′ wide has been provided as coal godown and store room On the roof of this a masonry tank capable of holding 3000 gallons of water has been built. Another wing 13′–7″ × 12′–6″ has been added to the opposite side providing one room 11′–8″ × 10′–8″ and a verandah 6′ wide for the residence of the engine driver. The floor of the building has been paved with artificial stone.

There was a provision of Rs. 13,000 for a new battery but it could not be installed during the year. The improvements of the electric light installation at the Palace have proved costly: and will, I am afraid, cost yet more.

(h) *Additions to Dinhata Kutchery.*—A room 13′–9½″ × 10′ has been added to the Dinhata Kutchery at a cost of Rs. 740.

(i) *Improving the Superintendent of Stable's Bungalow.*—This Bungalow had improvements made in it in the shape of brick-nogging walls, wooden ceiling, corrugated iron roofing in place of lath-plaster wall, cloth ceiling and khapra roofing. Three separate corrugated iron roofed out-houses were built and the compound enclosed by a bamboo fence. The total adjustment during the year was Rs. 2,543 only.

(j) *Crushed-food Godown.*—A corrugated iron roofed godown 41′ × 18′ with boarded floor and dab-walls at a cost of Rs. 1,259 has been constructed within the Jail for storage of crushed-food.

(k) *Bullock shed in the Public Works Godown.*—Three bullock sheds in the Public Works Godown having been destroyed by fire were replaced by two new sheds 40′ × 18′ and 75′ × 18′ at a cost of Rs. 505.

53. *Original Works—Forest in general.*—The provision under this head was Rs. 1,500. This amount was chiefly employed in paying Chowkidars' salary and meeting the cost of clearing undergrowth.

54. *Repairs, Civil Buildings.*—The statement given below shews the expenditure under different heads as compared with that of the previous year:—

Classification of public buildings.	*Expenditure in* 1905-06.			*Expenditure in* 1906-07.		
	Annual.	Petty	Total.	Annual.	Petty.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I(*a*.) Palace and connected buildings ...				11,380	76	11,456
I(*b*.) Woodlands	24,629	597	25,226	10,448	.....	.....
I(*c*.) Colinton				48,127	.....	.....
II. Private Residences	2,330	1,690	4,020	2,775	1,650	4,425
III. Court Houses	106	638	744	2,541	895	3,436
IV. Medical	698	170	868	533	338	871
V. Educational	331	550	881	.....	713	713
VI. Police and Military	285	256	541	263	256	519
VII. Post and Telegraph Offices	421	8	429	493	.....	493
VIII. Public Works	730	175	905	2,100	152	2,252
IX. Dâk-Bungalows and Rest Houses... ...	.....	334	334	.....	514	514
X. Religious Ecclesiastical	1,259	97	1,356	1,786	19	1,805
XI. Jail and Lock-ups	.....	262	262	879	140	1,019
XII. Miscellaneous	3,103	280	3,383	917	743	1,660
XIII.(*d*.) Miscellaneous Public Improvement ...	.....	.....	.....	446	.....	445
Total ...	33,892	5,067	38,959	77,688	5,496	22,698

(*b*.) & (*c*.) Expenditure on these two buildings is not shewn. (*d*.) Expenditure on (*d*) in 1905-06 is omitted.

55. *Palace, Cooch Behar, Calcutta and Darjeeling, with out-houses and connected buildings.*—Ordinary repairs to (*a*) *the Palace*, Cooch Behar, cost Rs. 4,500 to Rs. 5,000: out-houses about Rs. 2,000: grounds Rs. 1,500 to Rs. 2,000: and Rajander or late Rajmata's house and other ladies' quarters Rs 1,000 to Rs 1,500.

The Band stand in the Palace had to be thoroughly repaired. Small windows and sky lights were opened in the Tennis Court and cow sheds rebuilt.

(*b*) *Woodlands.*—No original works were done during the year except one corrugated iron shed for servants. Ordinary repairs and up-keep of roads cost Rs 3,674. The Overseer's quarters were thoroughly overhauled and rebuilt. The grounds in Woodlands have been placed in charge of Mr. Abbott, the Curator of the Horticultural Garden at Alipur, who is to get Rs. 250 per mensem for the up-keep of the ground.

(*c*) *Colinton and Prospect House.*—A hill adjoining the Colinton with one Tennis Court known as Silver Spring and another hill to the north known as Lansdowne with a single storied house were purchased during the year at Rs 34,000, which accounts in part for the increase in the grant under Public Works. Out of Rs 1,388 provided for the removal of Dhobi's shed, Rs 606 was actually spent during the year.

The following original works were done during the year:—

(1) Dhobi's quarters were rebuilt.

(2) A new stable with 3 stalls was constructed.

(3) A Rickshaw shed was built.

The cost of maintenance of the garden was Rs 1,046. The total cost of repairs to the Civil Buildings was Rs 29,608 against Rs 38,959 of the last year.

II.—Miscellaneous Public Improvement.

56. *Tanks and wells in Mofussil &c.*—Six tanks, 68 Pucca wells, 28 Raniganj pipe-wells and 22 tube-wells were maintained (including those maintained by the Municipality) at a cost of Rs 446.

57. *Tools and Plant.*—Several tools were purchased during the year.

58. *Artizan School.*—The value of works during the year was Rs. 12,757-13-6 against Rs. 10,805 in the previous year, of which Rs. 935-3-10 represents the value of private works done.

59. *State carts.*—There were 7051 carts employed on work during the year. Two new pairs of bullocks purchased and three old pairs sold and one died: 19½ pairs remained at the end of the year against 21½ pairs in the previous year. The total receipts of the year were Rs. 5,288 and the expenditure Rs. 5,324.

60. *Municipal and Contribution works.*—The works under this head done during the year will be found in the Statement F, hereto appended.

61 *Cooch Behar Municipality.*—The expenditure on municipal works under control of this Department was Rs. 15,339. The total expenditure on Contribution works done during the year was Rs. 37,805-8-10 against Rs. 17,093 in the previous year. The following works were undertaken during the year:—

(*a.*) *Dinhata-Buxirhat Road.*—Mr. Apcar of Chowrarhat and Santosh Das Podder of Dinhata contributed Rs. 1,200 and Rs. 300, respectively, towards the construction of a road from Dinhata to Buxirhat, about 6 miles, for the convenience of cart traffic in jute. This was supplemented by a grant of Rs. 913 from the Chowkidari Fund. The road has been completed.

(*b.*) *Thorikhana Drain.*—A drain from Thorikhana, a Taluk in the eastern part of Dinhata, to a channel known as Purbabhag Chhara.

in the District of Rungpur, was opened. The cost adjusted during the year was Rs. 681. The amount of contribution received was Rs. 445, and Rs. 700 was paid from the Communication Improvement Fund for this work.

(*c.*) *Pucca well at Garadhat.*—A small well, 3ft. diameter, was sunk at Garadhat at a cost of Rs. 125 paid by a Sonthal.

(*d.*) *Tobacco-curing shed.*—A curing shed with corrugated iron roof Dab-walls, fire places, pipes &c., was constructed at a cost of Rs. 755-1-10 paid from the provision for tobacco cultivation.

(*e.*) *Clearing jungles in the Rajgunpara.*—Rs. 300 was received to clear jungles in the Rajgunpara for improvement of sanitation of the place. The cost adjusted during the year was Rs. 193. Several other works were undertaken. A 10-ton Steam Roller was purchased. Two-third of the cost was paid from the Communication Improvement Fund and ⅓rd by the Municipality.

62. *Shooting Camp.*—Three Shooting Camps, one at Chelapeta for His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, one at Kolabari for His Excellency the Viceroy, and one at Bholka for His Highness, were arranged at a cost of Rs. 646: Rs. 2,484: and Rs. 745 respectively.

III.—Communication Improvement Fund.

63. This is the 14th year since the creation of the fund. The original grant for the year was Rs. 52,686 which was raised to Rs. 64,242 in the revised budget. The grant for the previous year was Rs. 54,981. The expenditure was Rs. 64,204 against Rs. 54,836 in the previous year.

The receipts for the year were Rs. 446 against Rs. 810 of the previous year.

The Statement N, hereto appended, will shew the mileage of roads in the State and the cost incurred on them during the year and the Statement M. will shew the details of works done.

64. *Original Works.*—The total cost of original works done during the year was Rs. 27,160 against Rs. 20,625 of the previous year.

65. *Shutunga Bridge.*—The principal original work done during the year was the construction of a bridge over the Shutunga *Nadi* below Mathabhanga. In order to complete the bridge during the year a loan of Rs. 10,000 was obtained from the State. The bridge was completed during the year and opened with great ceremony by Your Highness on the 14th April 1907. The total length of the bridge is 339 ft. divided into 8 spans. It is the largest of the road bridges in the State and the style is substantial. Very few such bridges are to be seen in the neighbouring districts. The foundation of the bridge is based on masonry wells of elliptical section of major diameter 11′–4″ and minor diameter 7′–4″ sunk to a depth from 16′ to 20′ in a bed of sand. A strata of hard compressed solidified mass of it had to be pierced through, which caused some delay, and the difficulty was overcome by the use of steam power. The abutments and wing walls are on three walls. There are eight piers and two abutments raised to a height of 18ft. on which rests the steel joists of approved section. The platform rests on steel corrugated plates overtopped with a bed of concrete and protected by strong railing on both sides. The width of the bridge is 13ft., so that two carts may go abreast. The cost adjusted during the year was Rs 26,901.

The other original works are classed under Contribution Works. They are:—

(*a*) Wooden bridge over Fulkumar to Nazirhat.

(*b*) Pucca culvert—Nowdanga-Gangerhat Road.

The expenditure on the Gadadhar Bridge represents credit on account of sale of stock in site of the work. The total cost of Original Works during the year was Rs. 27,160 against Rs. 20,625 of the previous year.

66. *Village Paths.*—Two pucca culverts were constructed in the Shahebganj Bamanhat Road.

A suspended bamboo bridge 60ft. span was constructed on the Shahebgunj track. The stream was widened by the flood, and, consequently, the idea of constructing a bamboo bridge had to be abandoned.

67. *Flood damages.*—Out of a grant of Rs. 13,675 for flood damages Rs. 7,132 was spent during the year and the balance adjusted since the close of the year.

The principal works done were:—

(*a*) Filling up gaps in the Emigration Road and reconstructing on a separate alignment a bridge over the Teesta Char at Mekligunj and repairing a bridge at the 46th mile.

(*b*) Filling up 3 big gaps and many small ones on the Cooch Behar-Shitalkhuchi Road.

(*c*) Filling up seven gaps on the Kakina Road.

(*d*) Filling up one large gap in the Dinhata-Mekligunj Rungpur Road.

(*e*) Restoring the washed away portions of the Lowkuty Road.

(*f*) Re-constructing wooden bridge on the Patgram, Bhutan, Kashiabari and Mekligunj Roads.

68. *Metalled roads in the Town and Suburbs.*—The following roads were partially re-metalled during the year:—

(*i*) Maharani Road,

(*ii*) Puranabash Road,

(*iii*) Approach Road to Goods Shed.

Amins employed for acquisition of roadside lands worked in the Dewan's Office. They did not do much field work. The estimated cost was Rs. 815.

69. *Establishment.*—The following establishment was maintained during the year:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Public Works Department proper	24,084	0	0
Artizan School	1,164	0	0
Chaklajat	962	0	0
Municipality	1,004	0	0
Woodlands	750	0	0
Darjeeling	1,866	0	0
Total ...	29,830	0	0

The works done are as follows:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Public Works	1,09,430	0	0
Road fund	64,204	0	0
Municipality	14,335	0	0
Chaklajat	8,898	0	0
Woodlands	9,698	0	0
Darjeeling	7,261	0	0
Artizan School	12,758	0	0
Contribution works including expenditure for Shooting Camp incurred by Public Works Department ...	37,806	0	0
Miscellaneous such as Tobacco Curing Shed	755	0	0
Total ...	2,65,145	0	0

The percentage of establishment on works was 11·25 only.

IV.—Chaklajat Public Works Department.

70. The sanctioned grant for the year was Rs. 10,000 and the expenditure Rs. 9,914.

71. The abstract of works done during this and the previous year is given below :—

Items.	Expenditure 1905-1906.	Expenditure 1906-1907.
	Rs	Rs
Original Works, Civil buildings ...	3,821	4,442
Repairs	3,666	4,456
Establishment and Contingency ...	918	962
Total ...	8,405	9,860

72. The following original works were done during the year :—

(*a*) *Barkandazes Shed at Debigunj.*—A corrugated iron roofed house 50′ × 10′ divided into seven compartments was constructed during the year for the Barkandazes and the old shed used by them was improved. This will be utilised for a Record-room. The work was taken in hand but not completed. The adjustment during the year was Rs. 421.

(*b*) *Corrugated iron roofed shed for Rungpur Kutchery.*—A corrugated iron roofed building has been constructed over the roof of the pucca building at Rungpur on iron and brick supports, Brick-nogging walls with glazed doors and cement floor. A staircase has been provided from outside the building. The house is divided into 3 rooms two 13′ × 9′ - 6″ and one 19½′ × 13′ with a verandah in front 6′ - 6″ in width and a bath room on the back and a staircase room 18′ × 8′. The cost was Rs. 3,590 against an estimate of Rs. 3,513.

(*c*) *Improvement of the Patgram Hat ground.*—The Hât ground at Patgram has been raised and drains opened at a cost of Rs. 432.

73. *Repairs.*—The total expenditure on repairs was Rs. 4,456 against Rs. 4,430 of the budget grant and Rs. 3,666 of the last year.

V.—EDUCATION.

I.—Primary and Secondary Education.

74. Babu Bhuban Mohan Dutt was in charge of this Department of Education throughout the year. In the last Annual Report I stated that a new Deputy Inspector and a Sub-Inspector were appointed on the retirement of the late Deputy Inspector and the Sudder Circle Pundit. Since then another Sub-Inspector has been appointed in place of two Circle Pundits. Thus the work of inspection has been sufficiently provided for to the extent of means afforded by recent circumstances.

75. *Summary of the year's work.*—The statement below summarises the result of the year's working:—

CLASS.	1905-1906			1906-1907.			EXPENDITURE 1905-1906.		TOTAL.
	No. of Institutions.	No. of pupils on 31st March 1906.	Average daily attendance.	No. of Institutions.	No. of pupils on 31st March 1907.	Average daily attendance.	From the State.	From fees and subscriptions.	
							Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
I.—*State Institutions*—									
Middle Class Vernacular	12	913	564	12	878	578	3,239 1 10	1,725 11 9	4,964 13 7
TOTAL ...	12	913	564	12	878	578	3,239 1 10	1,725 11 9	4,964 13 7
II.—*Grant-in-aid Schools*—									
Higher Class English ...	3	499	357	3	510	371	4,702 8 0	6,395 15 6	11,098 7 6
Middle Class English ...	11	502	358	11	463	319	2,916 10 8	3,353 6 5	6,270 1 1
Ditto Vernacular.	14	694	453	14	649	401	2,248 0 0	1,642 6 11	3,890 6 11
TOTAL ...	28	1,695	1,168	28	1,622	1,091	9,867 2 8	11,391 12 10	21,258 15 6
III.—*Primary Schools*—									
Upper Primary ...	31	1,894	904	35	1,452	973	2,248 0 0	1,991 13 0	4,239 13 0
Lower Primary ...	135	4,661	3,108	130	4,497	2,991	4,535 0 6	5,097 12 6	9,632 13 0
Night Schools ...	13	231	142	13	230	154	318 0 0	125 0 0	443 0 0
Girls' Schools ...	5	85	57	3	66	43	78 0 0	18 0 0	96 0 0
TOTAL ...	184	6,371	4,211	181	6,245	4,161	7,179 0 6	7,232 9 6	14,411 10 0
IV.—*Private Schools*—									
Upper Primary ...	1	42	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lower Primary ...	75	2,273	1,605	61	1,957	1,397	.....	1,749 0 0	1,749 0 0
Night Schools ...	20	363	239	20	314	204	.....	213 12 0	213 12 0
Girls' Schools ...	2	20	12	1	16	10	.....	16 0 0	16 0 0
Muktabs	5	51	32	2	70	55	.....	132 0 0	132 0 0
TOTAL ...	103	2,749	1,916	84	2,357	1,666	.....	2,110 12 0	2,110 12 0
GRAND TOTAL ...	327	11,728	7,859	305	11,102	7,496	20,285 5 0	22,460 14 1	42,746 3 1

From the foregoing table it will be seen that on the 31st March 1907 there were 305 Primary and Secondary Schools in the State against 327 in 1906-07 with a roll call and an average daily attendance of 11,102 and 7,496 against 11,728 and 7,859, respectively, in the previous year. There was a decrease of 22 institutions and of 626 and 363 in the nominal roll and the average daily attendance of pupils. owing to the heavy flood and the rise in the price of food stuffs.

The number of Model Schools in the State during the year was 12 as in that preceding.

76. *Progress of Education in the State as compared with the neighbouring British Districts.*—The table below shews the percentage of boys at school to boys of school-going age for Cooch Behar and the neighbouring British Districts:—

Districts.	Male population of school-going age.	Number of boys at school.	Percentage of boys at school to boys of school-going age.	REMARKS.
Rajshahi	1,11,248	21,032	18·9	
Dinajpur	1,23,596	24,375	19·72	
Rungpur	1,68,766	33,849	20·05	
Jalpaiguri	63,432	12,530	19·75	
Cooch Behar	45,207	10,842	23·98	

77. *Progress of Education in the State as judged by the Results of the Public Examinations.*—The following table shews the results of the several classes of schools in the State in the different public examinations in 1905-06 and 1906-07:—

Class of Examination.	1905-1906.						1906-1907.					
	No. of schools that sent up candidates.	No. of candidates.	Number Passed.				No. of schools that sent up candidates.	No. of candidates.	Number Passed.			
			1st Division.	2nd Division.	3rd Division.	Total.			1st Division.	2nd Division.	3rd Division.	Total.
University Entrance ...	3	12	..	1	1	2	3	15	3	7	2	12
Middle English	9	28	3	5	1	9	9	24	2	4	3	9
Middle Vernacular ...	26	72	7	23	11	41	31	71	2	10	11	23
Ditto, Female	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	1
Upper Primary	58	155	4	17	15	36	58	124	1	16	25	42
Ditto, Female	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lower Primary	178	465	130	113	...	243	211	473	156	122	...	278
Ditto, Female	1	3	...	2	...	2	5	13	7	3	...	10
Sanskrit	2	2	...	...	2	2	1	1	...	...	1	1
Total ...	278	739	144	161	30	335	319	722	171	163	42	376

The three Sub-divisional Higher English Schools sent up 15 boys to the last Entrance Examination of the Calcutta University. Of these 12 were successful against 2 in the previous year. Three of the 12 successful boys were placed in the 1st Division, 7 in the 2nd and 2 in the 3rd. One of those who passed in the 1st Division was a Native of Cooch Behar. The result is satisfactory. In the Divisional Scholarship Examinations the Cooch Behar Schools passed 9 Middle English, 24 Middle Vernacular and 42 Upper Primary Scholars against 9, 41 and 36 of the preceding year. Over 50 per cent. of those who passed the Middle Scholarship Examinations, were Natives of the State. From the Girls' School one girl appeared in the Middle Vernacular and 13 in the Lower Primary Scholarship Examination. Of these, 11 passed: 7 in the 1st Division and 4 in the 2nd against 2 in the preceding year. In the Lower Primary Scholarship Examination conducted by Local Board of Examiners, 473 boys went up from 211 schools. Of these, 278 boys passed against 243 in the preceding year.

At the last Sanskrit Scholarship Examination, one candidate appeared from Pundit Ram Sanker Tarkaratna's Tole. The Temple Scholarship was awarded to him.

78. *Sub-divisional Higher English Schools.*—At the close of the year the three Sub-divisional Higher English Schools had on their rolls 510 pupils against 499 in the preceding year. And the average daily attendance was 371 against 357 in the preceding year. The strength of the schools improved last year by 11 and the average daily attendance by 14. The number of boys increased in the Mathabhanga and Mekliganj Schools by 30 and 1, respectively, but decreased by 20 in the Dinhata School during the year. The financial condition of these schools continued to be satisfactory and the total collection from fees and fines rose from Rs. 4,840-5-6 to Rs. 4,901-5-9.

The expenditure on these schools amounted to Rs. 11,098-7-6. Of this, Rs. 4,702-8-0 was paid by the State and Rs. 6,395-15-6 was met from the several local sources. The expenditure on these schools in the preceding year was Rs. 10,094-2-8. The increase was due to the increment in salaries given to the Head Master and the Sanskrit Pundit of the Mekligunj School and the Head Master, Additional Master and 6th Master of the Dinhata School, as well as to the grant of Grain Compensation Allowance to the teachers of these schools who had a service of more than 5 years.

The introduction of suitable Boarding Establishments in connection with each Higher English School and the Middle English School at Tufangunj, as proposed last year, is under consideration. I hope to see it carried out before the end of the current year

The impending changes in the condition of these schools, as involved by the requirements of the recent University Regulations, are engaging attention.

79. *Middle English Schools.*—The number of regular Middle English Schools and Middle English Classes attached to Model Schools stood at 11 against the same number in the preceding year. These schools had a nominal roll of 463 pupils on the 31st March last, and of these, 319 attended daily on an average against 502 and 358, respectively, in the preceding year.

The expenditure on these schools amounted to Rs. 6,270-1-1 against Rs. 6,038-2-3 in 1905-06. Of this, Rs. 2,916-10-8 was paid by the State and Rs. 3,353-6-5 met from various local sources.

Twenty-three candidates from these schools were sent up to the Middle English Examination. Of these, 9 passed. The result, though better than that of last year, is not satisfactory.

80. *State Model Schools.*—The number of State Model Schools remained the same, *i.e.*, 12, as in the preceding year. The number on the rolls on the 31st March last was 878 against 913 in the preceding year and the average daily attendance 578 against 564 in the preceding year.

The expenditure on the Model Schools amounted to Rs. 4,964-13-7, of which Rs. 3,239-1-10 was paid by the State and the rest Rs. 1,725-11-9 raised from fees and fines. The corresponding figures of the preceding year were Rs. 5,115, Rs. 3,436-4-9 and Rs. 1,678-11-3 respectively.

To the last Middle and Upper Primary Scholarship Examinations the Model Schools sent up 48 candidates against 71 of the year preceding, and of these 15 passed as against 19 in 1905-06. The result is not satisfactory.

81. *Middle Vernacular Aided Schools*—On the 31st March last there were 14 Middle Vernacular Schools in the State maintained under the Grant-in-aid System against as many in the preceding year. They had a nominal roll and an average daily attendance of 649 and 401, respectively, against 694 and 453 in the preceding year. There was a decrease both in the roll number and daily attendance.

The expenditure on these schools amounted last year to Rs. 3,890-6-11, of which Rs. 2,248 was paid by the State and Rs. 1,642-6-11 was met from the local sources. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were Rs. 3,954-4, Rs. 2,097 and Rs. 1,857-4.

These schools sent up 30 candidates to the last Middle Vernacular and Upper Primary Scholarship Examination against 26 in the preceding year. Of these, 7 or 23 per cent. came out successful against 42 per cent. in 1905-06. The results were unsatisfactory.

The whole question of improving these Middle Schools is engaging my attention. They are at present not at all satisfactory, and need closer inspection.

82. *Special Schools.*—There were three Special Schools on the 31st March last, *viz.*, the Sunity College for girls and the Nagri and the Persian Schools.

To the last Lower Primary Scholarship Examination the Nagri School sent up two boys to be examined in the text books prescribed for the Lower Primary Scholarship Examination of the Patna Division. Both of them came out successful.

83. *Upper Primary Schools.*—The year closed with 35 Upper Primary Schools in the State against 32 in the preceding year. These schools had a nominal roll of 1,452 pupils and a daily average attendance of 973 against a strength and attendance of 1,436 and 932, respectively, for 32 Upper Primary Schools in the year preceding.

The expenditure on these schools amounted to Rs. 4,239-13. Of this, Rs. 2,248 was paid by the State and Rs. 1,991-13 was met from other local sources.

To the last Upper Primary Scholarship Examination the Cooch Behar Schools sent up 124 candidates in September last. Of these, 63 were from Middle Class Schools and 61 from the Upper Primary and the Lower Primary Schools. Of these, 42 or about 35 per cent. were successful.

84. *Lower Primary Schools.*—At the close of the year under review there were 191 Lower Primary Schools for boys in the State. Of these, 130 were aided and 61 unaided against 135 and 75, respectively, in the preceding year.

There were 6,454 pupils on the rolls of these 191 Lower Primary Schools in the State against 6,934 pupils that attended 210 institutions in the preceding year. The average strength and attendance of each Lower Primary School were 33·79 and 22·9 against 33·01 and 22·4 in the preceding year.

The expenditure on these institutions was Rs. 11,381-13, of which Rs. 4,535-0-6 was paid by the State and Rs. 6,846-12-6 by the people.

Two hundred and eleven of these schools sent up 473 candidates last year against 465 candidates sent up from 178 Lower Primary Schools for the Lower Primary Scholarship Examination in the preceding year. Leaving out 31 absentees, 278 of the 442 that were actually examined were successful: 156 were placed in the 1st Division and 122 in the 2nd Division. The Superintendents of the Examination in the different centres distributed with my sanction Rs. 440 as rewards to Gurus and their pupils on the result of this examination. The system of reward has proved successful in a greater degree year after year.

85. *Night Schools.*—At the end of the year there were 33 Night Schools in the State against as many in the preceding year. Of these, 13 were aided and 20 unaided.

There were 544 pupils on the rolls of the 33 Night Schools in the State against 594 in the preceding year, and the average daily attendance of these schools was 358 against 381.

The expenditure on these schools amounted to Rs. 656-12, of which Rs. 318 was paid by the State and Rs. 338-12 received from local sources.

The Night Schools sent up 62 candidates to the Lower Primary Examination. Of these 26 were successful.

86. *Girls Schools.*—The year closed with 4 Lower Primary Girls' Schools in the State, of which 3 were aided and one unaided against 5 aided and 2 unaided in the preceding year. There were 82 pupils on the rolls of the 4 Lower Primary Girls' Schools and of them 53 attended daily on an average. The total number of girls who attended the several classes of the institutions was 260 and the number of this class of schools, including the Sunity College and the 3 Sub-divisional Girls' Schools, was 8.

The expenditure on the Lower Primary Girls' Schools amounted to Rs. 112, of which Rs. 78 was paid by the State and Rs. 34 raised from other sources. Last year one girl passed the Middle Vernacular and 10 Lower Primary Examinations. This is satisfactory.

87. *Training Classes for Teachers of Primary Schools.*—During the year under report 10 classes for the training of the Gurus and a number of apprentices were opened in the interior: 3 in the Sudder, 3 in Dinhata, 2 in Mathabhanga and 2 in Mekligunj.

The total expenditure on the Guru-training Classes amounted to Rs. 964-11-5. This was met from Rs. 1,000 provided in the Budget.

88. *Expenditure on Primary and Secondary Education.*—The total expenditure during the year on Primary and Secondary Education in the State

was Rs. 42,746-3-1, of which Rs. 20,285-5 was paid by the State and Rs. 22,460-14-1 was raised from local sources. The corresponding figures for the preceding year were Rs. 43,383-8-11, Rs. 20,400-5-6 and Rs. 22,983-3-5.

The charges for Inspection and Control amounted to Rs. 6,633-3-4 against Rs 6,627-12-5 in the preceding year.

The expenditure on account of rewards was Rs. 614 against Rs. 720-11 in the preceding year.

The miscellaneous charges amounted to Rs. 2,678-3-11 against Rs. 679-14-6 of the preceding year. There was an increase of Rs. 1,998-5-5 due to the payment of Grain Allowance to the teachers and expenditure on Guru-training Classes.

II.—Victoria College.

89. *Number on the Roll.*—Including "six months" students for the whole session, the monthly average was 255 against 249, 257 and 246 in the three preceding years. Excluding such students after first six months, the monthly average was 229 against 221, 226 and 227 in the three preceding years. On the 31st March 1907, the number on the roll excluding the plucked students, was 186 against 194, 176 and 187, and 257 including such students against 251, 260 and 254, on the corresponding date in the three preceding years.

During the year 186 students were admitted into the General Department against 239, 216 and 228 in the three preceding years. Of these, 99 students were admitted into the 1st, 3rd and 5th Year Classes and 87 into the 2nd and 4th Year Classes.

The largest number on the roll (reached in September) was 275 against 283, 287 and 284 in the preceding years.

90. *Change in the staff.*—Babu Brojendra Nath Seal, the Principal, was deputed to Simla, during the summer vacation, to sit on the Committee formed by Government for framing the Regulations of the Calcutta University. He returned from the deputation on the 19th July 1906. The College opened after the summer vacation on the 18th June, and the Senior Professor, Babu Upendra Narayan Sinha, remained in charge of the office during the Principal's absence on deputation. The Principal was on medical leave from the 25th October 1906 to the 21st April 1907. Babu Upendra Narayan Sinha officiated for him for the period, when his duties as Professor of English were performed in part by Babu Joy Gopal Banerji, Professor of English. It was found necessary to appoint another Professor of English, Babu Satis Chandra Guha, M. A. He joined his appointment on the 3rd December 1906, and left on the date the Principal returned to his duties, *i. e.*, 21st April 1907.

The working of the College suffered during the absence of the Principal.

Babu Nil Kanta Chatterji, M.A., B.L, Law Lecturer, went on leave without pay from the 28th August 1906, and later on resigned the post. Babu Kamal Krishna Dutt, B.L., officiated for him till the end of the year under report.

91. *Receipts and Expenditure.*—The statement below gives the receipts and expenditure in the General Department for the year:—

Average monthly number	229		
	Rs.	A.	P.
Establishment	23,599	2	6
Library and Laboratory	1,000	0	0
Contingencies	422	9	2
Gymnastics	115	8	6
Extraordinary charges	162	0	0
Total expenditure	25,299	4	2
Receipts from transfer-fees and fines &c.	79	4	0
State grant	25,220	0	2
Cost of educating each student excluding "six months" students	110	7	8
Cost of educating each student including "six months" students	99	8	5

The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 25,299-4-2 in the year under report against Rs. 24,199-9-0 in the preceding year (excluding certain extraordinary charges met from savings in the Superintendent of State's Office budget or Rs. 24,559-3-3 including those charges). This shews an excess of Rs. 740-0-11 which is more than covered by the grant of Rs. 1,750 for Scientific Apparatus during the year. The receipts fell from Rs. 192 in 1905-06 to Rs. 79-4 in the year under report. The new Regulations do not ordinarily allow transfer in the course of an academic year, thus leading to a diminished collection of transfer-fees, which were the main source of receipts in the General Department so long as tuition-fees were not charged.

92. *Library and Laboratory.*—Rs. 1,000 was spent during the year on Books, Magazines, Scientific Apparatus and Chemicals &c.

93. *University Examinations.*—One student appeared at the M. A. Examination in English held in November 1906 and he obtained a First Class.

Twelve students were sent up to the B. L. Examination, of whom 10 appeared and five were successful, one being placed in the first Division.

94. Eighty-one students appeared at the B. A Examination but only 16 passed, one with Honour in History. The result is worse than has been the case for several years.

Sixty-two students went up to the F. A. Examination and 36 passed: two in the 1st Division, 10 in the 2nd Division and 24 in the 3rd.

95. *Discipline.*—Discipline was generally maintained throughout the year. There was a case of fraud committed by a student who gave out his name as Abual Khayer Mahomed Ibrahim, and got himself admitted into the College on the strength of a forged transfer certificate. The fraud was detected and the student was prosecuted and convicted.

The new College Building was completed during the year though the College did not move into it until after the expiry of the official year. Two new appointments were created—those of a Professor of History and a Professor of Chemistry. Babu Hridoy Krishna De, M.A., was appointed to the latter appointment.

It was settled that a tution-fee should be charged from the ensuing session, and the fee was subsequently fixed at Rs. 3 per month. In addition to the 10 State Scholarships a large number of free-ships has been kept reserved for deserving candidates. The following is a summary of the rules passed for awarding Stipends and Freeships :—

1. Six Stipends of the value of Rs. 10 a month tenable for two years, election being made in order of merit on the result of a College Examination to be held within 6 weeks of the College re-opening after the Summer Vacation. No student passing in the third division will be eligible for a stipend.

2. Free-studentships to natives of Cooch Behar.

3. Twenty Free-studentships to other deserving students :

4. Twenty Free-studentships to sons and near relatives of non-gazetted officers in His Highness's State Service.

The new Regulations of the University came into force from the 11th August 1906 and the internal arrangements of the College as well as of the College Boarding House and the Students' Messes were re-modelled on that basis. It was further decided to equip the Science Department of the College for the teaching of Science under the new conditions in the Intermediate Classes, and in this view a sum of Rs. 1,750 from savings under Establishment together with an estimated saving of about Rs. 3,500 in the Public Works Department budget from the grant of Rs. 60,000 for the College Building, was sanctioned for the improvements of the Laboratory and for necessary equipment.

III.—Jenkins School.

96. *Numerical Strength.*—The number of boys on the roll on the 31st March 1907 was 394 against 419 in the preceding year, showing a decrease of 25 boys. Of these 93 or 23·6 per cent. were natives of Cooch Behar against 100 or 23·8 per cent. of the preceding year. The decrease in the number of students was due to various causes, including lack of accommodation.

97. *Income.*—The receipts from fees and fines amounted to Rs. 7,173-10 against Rs. 7,263-9 in the preceding year. The decrease was due to the less number of paying students.

98. *Expenditure.*—The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 11,640-14-4 as against Rs. 11,063-2 in the preceding year. The expenditure on Establishment included Rs. 370-8, paid as grain compensation allowance and Rs. 56 for rent of a house for the Mahomedan students' mess. The net cost to the State in maintaining the school during the year was Rs. 4,467-4-4 against Rs. 3,799-9 and the State cost of educating each pupil was Rs. 11-5-5 against Rs. 9-1-1 in the preceding year.

99. *Tutorial Staff.*—The Additional Master, Babu Heramba Chandra Mukherji, did not rejoin on the expiry of the four months leave without pay granted to him from March 1906. No permanent arrangement could be made for the post during the year.

The Head-master was on leave on medical certificate from the 11th December 1906 to the 29th March 1907 when the Second Master officiated for him.

100. *University Examination.*—Twenty-seven candidates out of 39 students in the First Class in January 1907 were sent up to the Entrance Examination held in March 1907. Of these, 2 were natives of the State. 20 of the candidates or 74 per cent. passed: one in the 1st Division, 14 in the 2nd Division (two of them being natives) and 5 in the 3rd.

In 1904-05, of the 19 students sent up, 12 passed: three in the 1st, five in the 2nd and four in the 3rd Division.

101. *Discipline.*—No case of breach of discipline was reported during the year.

102. *Physical Education.*—The students were encouraged in sports and gymnastic exercises. Many of the students take great interest in Football. It is their favourite game.

103. *Rajgun Boarding* —The statement below will show the allotment and expenditure on the Rajgun Boarding :—

	Year.	
	1905-1906.	1906-1907.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Allotment	3,406 0 0	3,360 0 0
Expenditure	3,299 0 0	3,314 0 0

One of the boarders appeared at the F. A. Examination but was unsuccessful.

Four boarders were deprived of stipends under the rules on account of long absence and unsatisfactory progress in studies.

VI.—MEDICAL

104. Dr. Stanlake James was in charge of the Department till the 2nd January 1907, when he proceeded home on one year's leave, and Assistant Surgeon Babu Mohit Lal Sen held charge up to the 13th February till relieved by Captain E. A. Walker, I. M. S., whose services have been lent to the State by Government for one year.

105. *General Health of the State.*—Cholera and small-pox were prevalent in a more or less sporadic form. There were 1816 cases of cholera as against 671 and 132 cases of small-pox as against 81 in the year previous. The present Civil Surgeon is of opinion, and I agree with him, that an increased number of tube-wells throughout the State, thereby ensuing a supply of pure water, would be likely to stamp out an outbreak of cholera. Efforts are being made to place tube-wells within the easy reach of the people by the hire purchase system. This project is under consideration and will be submitted to Your Highness in Council for approval later on. Cases of malarial fever in the town numbered 6778 as against 9208 in 1905-06. This is satisfactory. The decrease is due to greater attention being paid to drainage and clearing of jungles and to the filling up of low lands. One case of imported plague occurred in the town. Fortunately the patient recovered and no fresh case occurred.

The Statement Q, hereto appended, shows the mortality amongst in-door patients in the several Hospitals of the State.

The Statement R shows the attendance at the different Hospitals and Dispensaries. The greatest increase in out-patients was at Haldibari and Toofangunj.

106. *Operations.*—The Statement S shows the number, nature and results of major operations performed in the Sudder Hospital.

107. *Prevailing diseases.*—The Statement T shows the most prevalent diseases and the results obtained in their treatment.

108. *Vaccination.*—The table U shows the number of persons vaccinated and the results obtained during the year, the total number vaccinated being 17,798 as against 16,887 in 1905-06. In some Talooks compulsory vaccination had to be introduced to check the spread of small-pox. The percentage of successful operations was 97·13. It is proposed to make it compulsory for the whole State and levy no charge.

109. The Statement V shews the percentage of sex and class of patients treated in the Hospitals. Statements W and X shew the average population, average of the sick and death rate of the Jail Hospital and the Police and Military Hospital.

110. The Statement Y shows the cost of the Medical Department. The total cost during the year was Rs. 36,192 against Rs. 33,076 in 1905-06. The number of Hospitals and Dispensaries remained the same as in the previous year.

111. The Statement Z shows the total rainfall during the year.

112. *Vital Statistics.*—The statement below shows the percentage of births and deaths per mille in the town of Cooch Behar for the last three years:—

	Births.	Deaths.
1904-05	19·02	15·68
1905-06	16·92	20·46
1906-07	11·95	18·64

113. *General Remarks.*—The pay of the passed Compounders has been fixed very liberally and this has removed a long-felt complaint. The pay of the Hospital Assistants will also be raised after the result of the Grade Examination to be held along with those in Government service. Since the close of the year sanction of Government has been received to allow our Hospital Assistants to appear at the examination held in Bengal for promotion of Hospital Assistants to higher grade. This system of examination will, I hope, prove satisfactory.

114. *Summary.*—The number of Hospitals and Dispensaries in the State remained the same. The total cost of the State for this Department was Rs. 36,192 against Rs. 33,076. During the year, the number of patients who received medical aid at these Dispensaries was 35,610 against 32,141 in the year previous. Of these, 934 were in-patients against 1,042 and 34,676 were out-patients against 31,099 in 1905-06.

The Civil Surgeon submits the following statement showing the distribution of quinine amongst Ojhas &c:—

Dinhata	...	...	...	Nil.
Mathabhanga	...	...	...	12 oz.
Mekligunj	...	...	...	4 Drams.
Shitalkhuchi	...	...	...	4 oz. and 2 Dr.
Tufangunj	..	..	...	Nil.
Haldibari	...	...	...	144 Grains.

It will be seen from the above that attempts to place quinine within the easy reach of the people through the agency of the school Pundits and Ojhas even have not proved a success.

PHILKHANA.

115. There were 26 elephants (excluding the two at Chaklajat) on the establishment of the Philkhana. The total expenditure including the payment made for grain allowance, was Rs. 24,559. No animals were purchased during the year, as there was a proposal of starting a Kheda operation in Assam.

LIBRARY.

116. Fifty-eight English and 42 Bengalee books were added to the Library, bringing the number of English books to 7492 and that of Bengalee to 917. The total number of books in the Library amount to 8910. A larger number of books were ordered, but Messrs Thacker, Spink and Co., with whom the order was placed, could not supply all the books within the year.

Some of the valuable Manuscripts preserved in the Library were lent to the Calcutta Exhibition where they were much admired.

MILITARY.

117. The sanctioned strength of the corps was maintained. I have on several occasions had to find fault with the discipline and the general working of the force; and it is, therefore, that I have suggested that a change in the Commanding Officer and those connected with the internal organisation would tend to have a salutary effect. I have put myself in communication with several Commanding Officers to secure the services of a retired officer to replace the present Subadar-Major who is to be relieved of his command at the earliest opportunity.

The expenditure during the year was Rs. 27,201-2-3 against Rs. 29,272 in the preceding year.

STATE PRESS.

118. Babu Priyanidhan Palit continued to be in charge of the Pre s.

Stamps to the value of Rs. 1,70,642 were manufactured against Rs 1,66,004 of the previous year, shewing an increase of Rs. 4,638.

The number of paying subscribers to the *Cooch Behar Gazette* rose from 93 to 100 during the year, and those receiving a free copy were 77, the same as in the previous year.

The Superintendent reports his staff worked hard and satisfactorily throughout the year.

SHOOTING CAMP.

119. The expenditure on account of the Shooting Camp during the year was Rs. 30,855-12-10 (including the cost of establishment, repairs to tents, grain compensation allowance &c.,) against a budget grant of Rs. 31,224. Some new tents, cutlery, crockery and a motor car were purchased and some unusual charges were incurred. There were three camps: one at Chilapeta for His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in November 1906: one at Kolabari for His Excellency the Viceroy in February 1907: and one at Bholka in March 1907. Elaborate arrangement were made for all the three camps and no efforts were spared to make them complete and suitable. The expenditure on this head would have been greater but for the efforts of Babu Hemendra Nath Gupta, who was deputed to keep the accounts and assist in the management of each of these camps.

I have the honour to be,

YOUR HIGHNESS'

Most obedient servants,

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Superintendent of the State, Cooch Behar.

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RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1906-1907.

PART I.—*Return of cases instituted by complaint to a Magistrate or by Magistrate* SUO MOTU *in the year* 1906-1907.

Serial Number	UNDER I PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Number remaining for disposal from previous year.	Number of complaints and cases instituted Suo motu by a magistrate.	Number of complaints dismissed after examining the complainant (Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.)	Number of cases referred for investigation to the Police.	Number otherwise investigated before issue of Process.	Number dismissed after investigation (under Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code.)	Number remaining for trial.	Number declared by a Court after trial never to have occurred or to be mistake of law or fact.	Number in which the Court held that a non-cognizable offence only was committed.	No. OF COGNIZABLE OFFENCES COMMITTED THAT WERE TRIED. Ending in discharge or acquittal.	Ending in conviction.	Not referred to the Police for investigation. Ending in discharge or acquittal.	Referred to the Police for investigation. Ending in conviction.	Percentage of convictions to total of columns 15 and 16.	Number of cognizable offences that were under investigation or trial at close of the year.	REMARKS. Disposed of under section 247, Criminal Procedure Code.	Disposed of under section 248, Criminal Procedure Code.	Disposed of under section 259, Criminal Procedure Code.	Disposed of under section 532, Criminal Procedure Code.	Disposed of under section 345, Criminal Procedure Code.	Absconded.	Died.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19						
	CLASS III.—*Serious offences against person and property or against property only.* —(Continued.)																							
33	392, 393	Robbery { in dwelling-house / on the highway between sunset and sunrise. / other robberies ..	... / ...	... / ...	... / ...	.. / ..	... / ..	... / ..	... / ...	... / ...	... / ..	... / ...	.. / ...	.. / ...	.. / ...	... / ...	... / ...	.. / ..	.. / ..	.. / ..	.. / ..	... / ...	..... /	... / ...
34	270, 281, 282, 430 to 433, 435 to 440	Serious mischief and cognate offences.	..	4	..	2	1	2	2	...	..	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	1	..	..	.....	..
35	428, 429.....	Mischief by killing, poisoning, or maiming any animal.	..	9	..	3	3	3	3	...	..	..	1	...	...	...	4	..	1	..	..	..	..	.....	...
36	451, 455, 457 to 460	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking with intent to commit an offence, or having made preparation for hurt..	..	8	2	1	2	3	3	...	...	1	..	...	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	2	.....	...
37	449 to 452	House-trespass with a view to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	...	..	..	...	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
38	412, 413	Receiving stolen property by dacoity or habitually.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	.....	...
39	311, 400, 140	Belonging to gangs of thugs, dacoits, robbers and thieves.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	.....	...
		Total.....	..	21	2	6	6	8	8	...	...	2	1	..	..	...	4	...	1	1	...	...	2	...
	CLASS IV.—*Minor offences against the person.*																							
40	341 to 344	Wrongful restraint and confinement.	(b) 2	51	5	9	27	30	14	..	...	3	1	..	..	..	7	1	...	2	...	4	.....	...
41	336, 337	Rash act causing hurt or endangering life.	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
42	374	Compulsory labour.....	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
		Total.....	2	51	5	9	27	30	14	...	...	3	1	...	..	..	7	1	...	2	...	4	.....	...
	CLASS V.—*Minor offences against property.*																							
43	453, 456	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking.	...	1	...	1	...	1	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
44	379 to 382	Theft..... { of cattle ..... / ordinary	.. / (c) 17	18 / 271	3 / 49	8 / 61	2 / 77	8 / 120	6 / 109	.. / 1	... / ..	2 / 58	1 / 21	1 / 3	.. / 5	... / ...	3 / 19	.. / 1	.. / ...	.. / 7	.. / ..	.. / ..	..... / 2	... / 1
45	406 to 408	Criminal breach of trust ..	5	24	2	16	6	20	5	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	4	..	..	..	..	...	.....	...
46	411, 414	Receiving stolen property ..	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
47	447, 448	Criminal or house-trespass ..	18	196	36	21	48	45	122	1	1	31	20	1	5	...	22	14	5	6	..	19	.....	..
48	461, 462	Breaking closed receptacle ..	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
		Total.....	40	510	90	107	133	194	242	2	1	92	51	5	11	..	48	15	5	13	..	19	2	1
	CLASS VI.—*Other offences not specified above.*																							
49	295 to 297.....	Offences against religion ...	...	1	...	1	..	..	1	...	...	..	...	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	..
50	Chapter VIII., C. P. C. and Act IX. of 1874.	Vagrancy and bad character	..	..	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
51	Cognizable offences under the Acts specified.																							
52		——Offences against Gambling Act.	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	.....	...
53		——Excise Laws	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
54		——Railway Laws	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
55		——Salt and custom Laws...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
56		——Stage carriage Act	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
56A		——Stamp Act	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
		——Arms Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
57	269, 277, 279, 280, 283, 285, 286, 289, 291 to 294, Section 34 of Act V. of 1861, and any other Municipal or local laws	Public and local nuisances...	..	2	...	..	..	..	2	..	...	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	...
58	Other special and local laws cognizable by Police	.....	9	40	2	5	9	9	37	1	..	4	4	2	2	..	2	13	10	..	1	..	.....	...
		Total.....	9	43	2	6	9	9	40	1	..	5	4	3	3	..	2	13	10	...	1	..	.....	...
		GRAND TOTAL ..	60	683	107	143	200	272	328	3	1	110	61	8	13	65·21	68	30	16	19	1	25	4	1
		1905-1906 ..	67	669	91	153	227	279	357	5	11	96	77	9	23	..	61	18	16	4	...	48	1	2

(b.) One case transferred to Serial No. 24 of this Statement.
(c.) One case transferred to Serial No. 21 of Statement BI.

STATEMENT A.

RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1906-1907.

PART II.—*Return of Persons concerned in cases instituted by complaint to a Magistrate or by Magistrate* SUOMOTU.

LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Number of persons against whom proceedings issued.		Number of persons.									REMARKS.				
		Warrant.	Summons.	Against whom warrant issued but could not be executed.	Evading service of summons or not complying therewith, and whose attendance was not eventually obtained.	Number of persons appearing before Court (either personally or by pleader.)	Number concerned in cases pending at beginning of year.	Total before Courts.	Number discharged or acquitted.	Number convicted (including those ordered to give security for good behaviour.)	Percentage of number convicted on total of columns 11 and 12.	Number under trial at close of the year.	Discharged under section 247, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged under section 248, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged under section 259, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged under section 345, Criminal Procedure Code.	Died.
		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15				
116	Abetment of offence not committed, &c, ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..
117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..
118, 119	Concealing design to commit offence ...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..
	Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..
	CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, public tranquillity, safety and justice.*																
131 to 126, 138 ...	Offences relating to Army and Navy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..
231 to 263, 467 and 471	Offences relating to coin, stamps and Government Notes.	..	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
212, 216	Harbouring an offender	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	..
224 to 226	Other offences against public justice ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
143 to 153, 157, 158	Rioting, or unlawful assembly	13	6	2	2	15	2	17	7	8	...	2	..	..	..	...	...
140, 170, 171 ...	Personating public servant or soldier ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
	TOTAL ...	13	6	2	2	15	2	17	7	8	...	2	...	..	..	...	..
	CLASS II.—*Serious offences against the person.*																
302, 303, 396 ...	Murder { by thugs	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
	Murder { ,, dacoits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..
	Murder { ,, robbers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	Murder { ,, poison	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	...
	Other murders	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.	.	..	..
307	Attempts at murder	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
304, 308	Culpable homicide	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
376	Rape	1	...	1	...	..	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
377	Unnatural offences	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
317, 318	Exposure of infants or concealment of birth ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
305, 306, 309 ...	Attempt at, and abetment of suicide	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
329, 331, 333 ...	Grievous hurt for the purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servant.	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
325, 326, 335 ...	Grievous hurt	..	2	...	...	2	..	2	2	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
328	Administering stupefying drugs to cause hurt ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
327, 330, 332 ...	Hurt for purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servant.	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
324	Hurt by dangerous weapon	...	1	..	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	..	..	..	...	..	...
362 to 369 ...	Kidnapping or abduction	5	...	..	...	7	1(a)	8	2	4	..	...	..	..	2	..	...
346 to 348 ...	Wrongful confinement and restraint in secret or for purpose of extortion.	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
372, 373 ...	Selling, letting, or unlawfully obtaining a minor for prostitution.	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
371	Habitually dealing in slaves	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
353, 354, 356, 357 ...	Criminal force to public servant or woman, or an attempt to commit theft or wrongfully confine.	2	7	1	1	7	..	7	6	1	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
304A, 338 ...	Rash or negligent act causing death or grievous hurt...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	.	..	..
	TOTAL ...	8	10	2	1	17	1	18	10	6	...	...	..	..	2	..	..
	CLASS III.—*Serious offences against person and property, or against property only.*																
395, 397, 398 ...	Dacoity	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..
399, 402	Preparation and assembly for dacoity	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..
394, 397, 398 ...	Robbery with hurt { by poisonous or stupefying drugs	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..
	Robbery with hurt { by other means	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..
392, 393	Robbery.. { in dwelling-house	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	Robbery.. { on the highway between sunset and sunrise	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	Robbery.. { other robberies	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
270, 281, 282, 430 to 433 435 to 440.	Serious mischief and cognate offences	2	...	...	...	2	..	2	...	...	...	...	..	..	2	..	...
428, 429	Mischief by killing, poisoning or maiming any animal	...	3	...	...	3	...	3	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
454, 455, 457 to 460	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking with intent to commit an offence, or having made preparation for hurt.	1	1	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	...
449 to 452	House-trespass with a view to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt.	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	...	..
412, 413	Receiving stolen property by dacoity or habitually...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	.	..
311, 400, 140 ...	Belonging to gangs of dacoits, thugs &c. ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	TOTAL ...	3	4	...	1	6	...	6	2	1	..	1	..	..	2	..	..
	CLASS IV.—*Minor offences against the person.*																
341 to 344	Wrongful restraint and confinement	2	16	...	5	13	1(b)	14	3	1	..	1	..	...	1	8	...
336, 337	Rash act causing hurt or endangering life ...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
374	Compulsory labour	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..
	TOTAL ..	2	16	..	5	13	1	14	3	1	..	1	..	..	1	8	..
	CLASS V.—*Minor offences against property.*																
453, 456	Lurking house trespass or house-breaking	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	.	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
379 to 382 ...	Theft ... ... { of cattle	1	4	1	1	3	...	3	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Theft ... ... { ordinary	8	111	6	18	102	21(c)	126	74	47	..	8	..	..	..	..	2
406 to 408 ...	Criminal breach of trust	4	..	2	..	2	..	2	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
411, 414 ...	Receiving stolen property	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
447, 448 ...	Criminal or house-trespass	2	125	2	25	100	3	112	67	45	..	14	2	2	2	10	..
461, 462 ...	Breaking closed receptacle	...	10	...	...	10	...	10	5	5	...	...	..	..	..	.	..
	TOTAL ...	15	250	11	43	226	27	253	119	99	..	17	2	2	2	10	2
	CLASS VI.—*Other offences not specified above.*																
295 to 297 ...	Offences against religion	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
Chapter VIII, I.P.C. and Act IX of 1874	Vagrancy and bad character	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
Cognizable offences under the Acts specified.	Offences against the Gambling Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	——Excise Laws	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
	——Railway Laws	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
	——Salt and Custom Laws	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	——Stage Carriage Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	——Stamp Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..
	——Arms Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
269, 277, 279, 280, 283, 285, 286, 289, 291 to 294, section 34 of Act V of 1861, and any other Municipal or local laws.	Public and local nuisances	...	4	...	..	4	...	4	1	3	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
Other special and local laws cognizable by Police.	... ...	...	35	..	2	43	8	56	31	14	..	...	5	6	..	..	..
	Fishery Act	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...
	TOTAL ...	...	40	...	2	53	8	61	33	17	..	...	5	6	...	..	..
	GRAND TOTAL ..	41	336	15	54	330	39	369	174	139	42·13	21	7	8	7	16	2
	1905-1906. ..	56	454	9	75	459	40	509	167	204	..	40	18	43	51	2	...

(a) One transferred from Serial No. 40 of this Statement. (b) One transferred to Serial No. 24 of this Statement. (c) One transferred to Serial No. 21 of BII.

PART III.—*Return of cases reported at a Polic*

Serial number.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Cases (originally reported as a Police-station or taken up on suspicion by the Police) pending under Police investigation from 1895-1896.	REPORTED DURING THE YEAR.					Cases taken up by Station officer otherwise than upon report.	Total of cases investigated by the Police (i.e. columns 4, 5, 6, and 10)
				Investigated by the Police.						
				Upon the report.	Under the Magistrate's order after investigation has been refused by the Police.	Not investigated.	Total.	Percentage of cases investigated at each on report (column 8) to total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	115	Abetment of offence not committed, &c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c. ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	118, 119	Concealing design to commit offence, &c.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, public tranquillity, safety and justice.*								
2	131 to 136, 138 ...	Offences relating to Army and Navy	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	231 to 263, 467 and 471	Offences relating to coin, stamps and Government notes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	212, 216	Harbouring an offender	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	224 to 226	Other offences against public justice	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2
6	148 to 153, 157, 158 ...	Rioting or unlawful assembly	.....	15	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	15
7	140, 170, 171... ...	Personating public servant or soldier	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total... ...	.....	17	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	17
		CLASS II.—*Serious offences against the person.*								
8		Murder ... by thugs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9		Murder ... by dacoits	.....	.....	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	302, 303, 396 ..	Murder ... by robbers	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11		Murder ... by poison	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12		Other murders	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
13	307	Attempts at murder	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	304, 308	Culpable homicide	.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	5
15	376	Rape	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
16	377	Unnatural offences	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
17	317, 318	Exposure of infants or concealment of birth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18	305, 306, 309 ..	Attempt at, and abetment of, suicide	1	8	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	9
19	329, 331, 333 ...	Grievous hurt for the purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
20	325, 326, 335 ...	Grievous hurt	1	23	.....	.....	23	.....	.....	24
21	328	Administering stupefying drugs to cause hurt	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
22	327, 330 332... ..	Hurt for purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
23	324	Hurt by dangerous weapon	1	14	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	15
24	363 to 369	Kidnapping or abduction	.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	5
25	346 to 348	Wrongful confinement and restraint in secret or for purpose of extortion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26	372, 373	Selling, letting, or unlawfully obtainining a minor for prostitution	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
27	371	Habitually dealing in slaves	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
28	353, 354, 356 357 ...	Criminal force to public servant or woman, or an attempt to commit theft or wrongfully confine	2	16	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	18
29	304A, 338	Rash or negligent act causing death or grievous hurt ..	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
		Total	5	75	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	80
		CLASS III.—*Serious offences against person and property or against property only.*								
30	395, 396, 398 ..	Dacoity	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
31	399, 402	Preparation and assembly for dacoity	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
32	394, 397, 398 ...	Robbery with hurt .. by poisonous or stupefying drugs ... by other means	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
33	392, 393	Robbery ... in dwelling-house .. .. on the highway between sunset and sunrise other robberies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34	270, 281, 282, 430 to 433 435 to 440	Serious mischief and cognate offences	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
35	428, 429	Mischief by killing, poisoning, or maiming any animal ..	.....	4	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	4
36	454, 455, 457, to 460 ...	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking with intent to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt	.....	7	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	7
37	449 to 452	House-trespass with view to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt	2	198	2	79	279	.....	.....	202
38	412, 413	Receiving stolen property by dacoity or habitually ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
39	311, 400 401... ...	Belonging to gangs of thugs, dacoits, robbers and thieves...	.....	3	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	3
		Ttoal ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		CLASS IV.—*Minor offences against the person.*	2	215	2	79	296	.....	.....	219
40	341 to 344	Wrongful restraint and confinement	.....	9	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	9
41	336, 337	Rash act causing hurt or endangering life	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
42	374...	Compulsory labour	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Total ...	.....	9	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	9
		CLASS V.—*Minor offences against property.*								
43	453, 456	Lurking house trespass or house-breaking	.....	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	5
44	379 to 382	Theft ... of cattle .. .. ordinary	1	21	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	22
45	406 to 408	Criminal breach of trust	3	166	1	24	191	.....	.....	170
46	411, 414	Receiving stolen property	1	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	6
47	447, 448	Criminal or house-trespass	.....	11	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	11
48	461, 462	Breaking closed receptacle	1	24	.....	.....	24	.....	.....	25
		Total ...	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
		CLASS VI.—*Other offences not specified above.*	6	233	1	24	256	.....	.....	240
49	295 to 297	Offences against religion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	Chapter VIII., C. P.C. and Act IX of 1874..	Vagrancy and bad character	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2
51	Cognisable offences under the Act specified ..	Offences against Gambling Act	.....	7	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	7
53		——— Excise Laws	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
54		——— Railway Laws	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
55		——— Salt and Custom Laws	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
56		——— Stage Carriage Act	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
56A		——— Stamp Act	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		——— Arms Act	.....	28	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	28
57	269, 277, 279, 280, 283 285 to 288, 289 291 to 294, Section 31 of Act III. of 1896, and any other Municipal or local laws	Public and local nuisances	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	519	523
58	Others special and local laws cognisable by Police		.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
		Total ...	.....	50	.....	.....	50	.....	521	559
		GRAND TOTAL ...	12	597	3	106	606	.....	521	854
		1895-1896 ...	20	760	2	115[illegible]	880	85·3	280	942

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tion, or taken up by Police, in the year 1906-1907.

OT SENT TO MAGISTRATE (ACCUSED, ANY RELEASED UNDER SECTION 169, CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE.)																
cognizable.	In which no such order was passed, but the case was not tried by Magistrate.	*In which Magistrate sent for the accused and tried the case*			Cases other than those in columns 13 to 16 in which the offender was not detected or appre hended.	Cases still under investigation by the Police at the end of the year.	Cases sent before the Magistrate.	Cases pending in court at beginning of year.	Total of cases before the courts.	Number ending in discharge or acquittal.	Number ending in conviction.	Percentage of cases ending in conviction to total of columns 22 and 23.	Number declared by court after trial never to have occurred, or to be mistaken of law or fact.	Number in which the court held after trial that a non-cognizable offence only was committed.	Number still under trial at close of the year.	REMARKS.
		Convicted.	Not convicted.	Pending at close of year.												
2	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
							1		1		1					
3					1		11	1	12		11			2	1	
3					2		12	1	13		12			2	1	
							1	1	2	1					1	
						1	4		4		3					
							1		1		1					
1							8		8		7				1	
8	1				4	1	10	2	12	2	10			2		
5			2		1		7		7	1	5			1	1	
1					1	1	2		2	*1					1	* Acquitted on withdrawal.
4	4				2		8	1	9	4	5			1		
							2		2	1	1					
19	5		2		8	3	43	4	47	10	32			4	5	
			*1		1		1		1						1	* Was pending from the last year.
							1		1		1					
1					2		1	1	2	1	1					
1					2		4		4		4					
16	2				143	4	37		37	5	31			1	1	
1							2		2	1	1					
19	2		1		148	4	46	1	47	7	38			1	2	
5	1				3											
5	1				3											
							5		5		5					
3					1		18	1	19	2	16			1	1	
27	7			1	53		82	4	86	15	68			7	3	
2					2		2		2	1	1			1		
						1	10		10	1	9					
4		2			6	1	13	1	14		14					
							1		1		1					
36	7	2		1	61	2	131	6	137	19	114		9	4	4	
							2	4	6	1	5					
							7		7		7					
							1		1		1					
					1											
							23		23		22				1	
1					1		221		221	1	219					One case withdrawn
							2		2		2					
1					2		236	4	240	2	236				1	
88	15	2	3	1	294	9	488	16	504	26	452	92·08	9	11	13	
107	7			2	221	13	492	19	512	25	439	90·7	10	8	16	

Statement A.

RETURN OF COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1906 1907.

PART IV.—*Return of persons concerned in cases reported at a Police Station, or in cases taken up by the Police.*

Serial number.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Persons in Police custody, or on bail under section 170 Criminal Procedure Code, at beginning of year as concerned in cases reported to or in cases taken up by the Police.	Persons arrested by the Police.		Persons released by the station officer under section 169, & not required to appear by Magistrate.	Percentage of column 8 to column 5.	Persons released by Magistrate's order before trial.	Persons on bail or still in Police custody at close of year.	Persons appearing under order of the Magistrate.	Persons whose cases were under trial before the courts at beginning of year.	Total number of persons tried.	Number discharged or acquitted.	Number convicted (including those ordered to give security for good behaviour.)	Percentage of number convicted on total of columns 15 and 16.	Number of persons convicted who had been arrested by the Police on report or information (column 5.)	Number under trial at close of the year.	Rem
				Upon the report or other information.	Under Magistrate's orders after investigation had been refused by the Police or the Police had reported the charge to be false.													
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	2
1	115	Abetment of offence not committed, &c. ...	....	..	...	..	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	..	...	..	...	..	
	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c. ...	....	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	
	118,119	Concealing design to commit offence	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	
		Total ..	....	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	...	...	..	
		CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, public tranquillity, safety and justice.*																	
2	121 to 126, 130 ...	Offences relating to Army and Navy	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	
3	231 to 263, 467 and 461.	Offences relating to coin, stamps and Government Notes.	....	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	
4	212, 216	Harbouring an offender	....	..	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	
5	224 to 226 ..	Other offences against public justice	....	1	...	1	..	..	..	...	..	1	..	1	...	1	..	..	
6	148 to 153, 157, 158	Rioting or unlawful assembly	....	68	..	...	..	..	..	..	17	3	88	14	68	..	87	6	
7	140, 170, 171 ..	Personating public servant or soldier	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	
		TOTAL ...	....	69	...	1	..	..	..	...	17	3	89	14	69	..	88	6	
		CLASS II.—*Serious offences against the person.*																	
8		Murder by thugs	....	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	
9		Murder by dacoits	....	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
10	302, 303, 396 ..	Murder by robbers	....	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
11		Murder by poison	....	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
12		Other murders	....	2	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	1	3	2	...	..	..	1	
13	307	Attempt at murder	....	..	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	
14	304, 308 ...	Culpable homicide	....	5	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	5	...	3	..	3	1	
15	376	Rape	....	1	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	1	...	1	..	1	..	
16	377	Unnatural offences	....	..	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	
17	317, 318 ...	Exposure of infants or concealment of birth ...	....	..	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	
18	305, 306, 309 ...	Attempt at, and abetment of, suicide	....	8	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	8	...	7	..	7	1	
19	329, 388, 333 ...	Grievous hurt for the purpose of extorting property or confession or deterring public servants.	....	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	
20	325, 326, 335 ..	Grievous hurt	....	17	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	2	19	6	13	..	12	..	
21	328	Administering stupefying drugs to cause hurt ..	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
22	327, 330, 332 ...	Hurt for purpose of extorting property or confession detecting public servant.	....	..	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
23	324	Hurt by dangerous weapon	....	10	..	..	..	..	..	...	3	...	13	..	9	..	8	1	
24	363 to 369 ...	Kidnapping or abduction	....	8	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	8	..	..	..	...	6	
25	346 to 348 ...	Wrongful confinement and restraint in secret or for purposes of extortion.	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
26	372, 373	Selling, letting, or unlawfully obtaining a minor for prostitution.	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
27	371	Habitually dealing in slaves	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
28	353, 354, 356, 357	Criminal force to public servant or woman &c.	....	8	..	..	..	..	..	...	2	1	11	6	6	..	5	..	
29	304A, 338	Rash or negligent act causing death or grievous hurt	....	2	.	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	2	...	1	...	1	..	
		TOTAL ..	....	61	..	..	...	..	..	..	5	4	70	18	40	..	37	10	
		CLASS III.—*Serious offences against person and property, or against property only*																	
30	395,397,398 ...	Dacoity	....	14	...	..	..	..	..	...	2	..	16	..	..	..	...	12	
31	399,402 ...	Preparation and assembly for dacoity	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	
32	394,397,398 ...	Robbery with hurt { by poisonous or stupefying drugs / by other means	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	
33	392, 393 ..	Robbery { in dwelling-house ... .. / on the high way between sunset & sunrise / other roberies	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			....	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	1	..	1	...	1	..	
34	270, 281, 282, 430 to 433, 435 to 440.	Serious mischief and cognate offences	....	1	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	3	4	3	1	...	1	..	
35	428, 429 ..	Mischief by killing, poisoning &c.	....	4	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	4	...	..	...	..	..	
36	454, 455, 457 to 460	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking with intent to commit an offence, or having made preparation for hurt.	....	55	..	...	1	..	2	...	1	..	53	7	45	..	45	1	
37	449 to 452 .	House-trespass with a view to commit an offence or having made preparation for hurt.	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	
38	412, 413	Receiving stolen property by dacoity or habitually	....	3	...	1	..	..	..	..	...	..	3	1	2	...	2	..	
39	311, 400, 401 ...	Belonging to gangs of dacoits, thugs &c. ..	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	
		TOTAL ..	....	78	..	1	1	..	2	..	3	3	81	11	53	...	53	13	
		CLASS IV.—*Minor offences against the person.*																	
40	341 to 344	Wrongful restraint and confinement	....	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	
41	336, 337	Rash act causing hurt or endangering life.. ...	....	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	
42	374	Compulsory labour	....	..	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	
		TOTAL ...	....	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	
		CLASS V.—*Minor offences against property.*																	
43	453, 456	Lurking house-trespass or house-breaking	....	5	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	5	..	5	..	5	..	
44	379 to 382	Theft .. { of cattle .. .. .. / ordinary	....	26	..	..	..	..	..	...	1	29	3	26	..	..	25	1	
45	406 to 408	Criminal breach of trust	....	131	..	3	..	..	..	...	11	4	146	49	91	...	87	6	
46	411, 414	Receiving stolen property	....	2	..	2	..	..	..	...	..	..	2	1	1	..	1	...	
47	447, 448	Criminal or house-trespass	....	18	..	1	..	..	..	...	..	..	18	7	11	..	11	...	
48	461, 402	Breaking closed receptacle	....	21	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	1	22	2	20	..	20	..	
		Total ...	....	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	
		CLASS VI.—*Other offences not specified above.*		206	..	6	..	..	..	..	11	6	225	62	154	..	150	7	
49	295 to 297	Offences against religion	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
50	Chapter VIII, C.P.C. & Act IX of 1874.	Vagrancy and bad character	....	2	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	4	6	1	5	..	5	..	
51		Offences against Gambling Act	....	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	20	..	20	..	
52		——Excise Laws	....	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	..	
53	Cognizable offences under the Acts	——Opium Act	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
54	specified.	——Railway Laws	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
55		——Stamp Act	....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
56		——Arms Act	....	23	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	22	..	22	1	
57	269, 277, 279, 280, 283, 285, 286, 289, 291 to 294 section 34 of Act III of 1861 and any other Municipal or local laws.	Public and local nuisances	....	221	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	221	3	218	..	219	..	
58	.....	Other special and local laws cognizable by Police (Cooch Behar Fishery Act.)	....	5	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	5	..	5	..	5	..	
		TOTAL ..	....	272	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	276	3	272	..	272	1	
		GRAND TOTAL ..	....	696	..	8	1	..	2	..	36	20	729	102	568	35·21	570	37	
		1905-1906 ..	....	669	2	8	21	3·1	..	..	8	41	697	100	548	14·6	531	30	

1 died.
2 acquitted on compromise.
2 Acquitted on withdrawal.
1 acquitted on compromise.

2 acquitted on withdrawal.
2 Tendered pardon under Section 337, C. P. C.
1 acquitted on withdrawal.

STATEMENT S.

RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1906 1907.

PART I.—*Return of Non-cognizable cases.*

Serial number.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Pending at beginning of year.		Instituted by complaint during the year.	Taken up by the Magistrate of his own motion or upon information from the Police.	Referred to Police for investigation.	Total for disposal (i.e. total of columns 4 to 8.)	Number dismissed without trial.	(*) Number tried.		Number of cases pending at close of the year.			REMARKS.					
			With the Police.	Otherwise under investigation.	Under trial.					Ending in discharge or acquittal.	Ending in conviction.	With the Police.	Otherwise under investigation.	Under trial.	Number declared by the Court never to have occurred or to be mistakes of law or fact.	Disposed of under section 247, C.P. Code.	Disposed of under section 248, C.P. Code.	Disposed of under section 258, C.P. Code.	Disposed of under section 345, C.P. Code.	Absconded.	Died.	Struck off.
1			4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18						
1	116	Abetment of offence not committed, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	118, 119 ..	Concealing design to commit offence ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, Public Tranquillity, &c. &c.*																				
2	121 to 130, 505 ..	Offences against the State	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	137	Harbouring deserters by master of ship ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4	172 to 190, 201 to 204, 213 to 215 227, 228.	Offences against public justice ...	..	..	2	3	39	..	44	2	4	33	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	2
5	161 to 169, 217 to 222.	Offences by public servants	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6	193 to 209, 205 to 211, 421 to 424	False evidence, false complaints and claims, and fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ...	1	..	3	5	9	..	18	2	4	7	..	2	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	..
7	465 to 477 ..	Forgery or fraudulently using forged documents ...	..	..	..	1	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
8	264 to 267 ..	Offences relating to weights and measures ...	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9	482, 489 ..	Making or using fal setrade-marks ..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10	149, 154 to 156, 160	Rioting, unlawful assembly, affray ..	..	..	..	1	4	..	5	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	1	..	5	11	55	1	72	5	9	46	..	3	2	1	..	1	2	..	2	2
		CLASS II.—*Serious offences against the person.*																				
11	312 to 316 ..	Causing miscarriage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
12	370	Buying or disposing of slaves... ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS III.—*Serious offences against the property.*																				
13	384 to 389 ..	Extortion	..	1	1	25	..	..	27	18	1	4	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS IV.—*Minor offences against the person.*																				
14	345	Wrongful confinement	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
15	352, 355, 358 ..	Criminal force	..	2	4	a16	479	..	1	501	93	33	89	..	8	20	2	17	14	2	70	..	2	..
16	334	Hurt on grave or sudden provocation ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
17	323	Voluntarily causing hurt	..	1	1	b10	165	..	..	177	41	8	32	2	2	10	1	3	..	1	36	..	..	2
		Total ...	3	5	26	644	..	1	678	134	41	121	2	5	30	3	178	14	4	106	2	..	2
		CLASS V.—*Minor offences against property.*																				
18	417 to 420 ..	Cheating	..	..	..	23	3	..	26	19	..	3	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
19	403, 404 ..	Criminal misappropriation of property ..	..	1	..	c1	101	..	5	103	64	20	6	3	..	5	..	..	1	2	..	1	..	1
20	409	Criminal breach of trust by public servants, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
21	426, 427, 434 ..	Mischief (simple)	..	1	2	d21	292	3	2	319	55	46	65	1	4	39	1	68	4	..	36	..	..	1
		Total ..	2	2	22	416	6	7	448	188	66	74	4	6	45	1	68	5	2	36	1	..	3
		CLASS VI.—*Other offences not specified above.*																				
22	298	Offences against religion	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
23	490 to 492 ..	Criminal breach of contract of service ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
24	493 to 498 ..	Offences relating to marriage	..	..	10	4	82	..	..	95	59	9	5	1	2	4	..	..	..	12	3	..	..	..
25	500 to 502 ..	Defamation	..	..	2	1	32	..	..	35	17	3	5	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..
26	504, 506 to 510 ..	Intimidation and insult	..	..	2	2	93	1	..	98	41	5	15	1	2	4	..	5	..	11	12	..	..	..
27	271 to 276, 278, 284 287, 288, 290.	Public and local nuisances	..	..	..	..	26	..	26	..	1	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
28	294A	Keeping a lottery office	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
29	Offences under Cht. VIII, (a) C P.C.	Security for keeping the peace on conviction	..	..	..	1	5	3	3	9	7	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
30	Offences under Cht. X. C. P. C.	Public nuisances	..	..	..	1	14	..	..	15	..	4	4	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	4	..	..	..
31	Cases under Cht. XII, C. P. C.	Disputes as to immoveable property ...	..	..	..	8	99	4	4	111	29	9	32	..	1	22	..	10	..	..	8	..	..	..
32	Cases under Cht. XXXVI C. P. C.	Maintenance of wives and children ...	..	..	..	..	18	..	..	18	11	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	3	..	..	..
		Total ..	..	..	14	17	348	34	7	408	164	32	88	2	6	36	1	17	..	26	34	2	..	1
		Special laws, offences under which are not cognizable by the Police.																				
	Regulation VI of 1819 Act I (B. C.) of 1886	Ferries	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XVIII of 1854.. ,, XXXI of 1867 .. ,, XIII of 1870 ..	Railway	..	..	..	..	14	..	14	..	2	9	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
	,, IX of 1890 ..																							
	,, VII (B C.) of 1878	Abkaree Act	..	..	..	1	10	..	11	..	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
	,, I of 1859	Merchant Shipping Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XIII of 1859 ..	Breach of Contract	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XI of 1878 ..	Arms Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, III of 1898 ..	Police Act	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, II (B. C.) of 1864	Jails Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XXII of 1864 ..	Cantonment Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Drainage Act	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, IV (B. C.) of 1865	Vaccination Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XX of 1865 ..	Pleaders and Mukteers Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, I of 1899 ..	Cow Killing Act	..	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XIV of 1866 ..	Post Office Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Cooch Behar ..	Stamp Act (Act I of 1903)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, VII of 1870 ..	Court-fee Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, I of 1892 ..	Cooch Behar Cattle Trespass Act ..	..	..	..	..	59	20	..	79	5	6	37	..	..	1	..	16	10	1	3	..	..	..
	,, VI of 1871 ..	Emigration	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XI (B.C.) of 1871	Census Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, X of 1883, Cht. XXXV	Contempt of Court	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, IV (B.C.) of 1873	Registration of Births and Deaths ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, I of 1885 ..	Cooch Behar Municipal Act	..	..	..	6	51	79	..	136	5	18	109	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..
	,, VIII of 1876 ..	Native Passenger's Ships Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, XIX of 1876 ..	Dramatic Performances Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	,, III of 1877 ..	Registration Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Drainage Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Other Special Laws	..	..	..	6	..	..	8	1	1	2	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total	..	..	6	130	126	2	251	11	28	138	..	..	1	..	22	11	1	4	4	1	..	
		Grand Total	6	22	77	1559	220	18	1884	470	177	501	5	20	116	6	286	31	74	180	11	1	8	
		1905-1906	..	26	110	1206	414	27	1836	405	236	409	6	22	76	6	214	36	76	167	5	3	9	

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One transferred to Serial No. 21 of this statement.
One transferred from Serial No. 44 ordinary theft of A. I and one transferred from Serial No. 19 of this statement.

Statement B.

RETURN OF NON-COGNIZABLE CRIME FOR THE YEAR 1906-1907.

PART II.—*Return of Persons concerned in Non-cognizable cases.*

Serial number.	LAW UNDER WHICH PUNISHABLE.	OFFENCE.	Persons concerned in cases pending at beginning of the year (viz., under trial or against whom process had issued.)	Persons against whom process issued.		Persons not arrested because absconded or evading or not complying with summons during the year; also those against whom processes were outstanding at end of the year.	Appeared before the Courts.	Persons discharged after appearance without trial.	Persons tried.		Percentage of number convicted to number against whom process issued (columns 5 & 6.)	Persons under trial at close of the year.	REMARKS					
				On complaint.	On Magistrate's own motion, or information from the Police.				Acquitted or discharged.	Convicted.			Discharged under section 247, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged under section 248, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged under section 259, Criminal Procedure Code.	Discharged under section 344, Criminal Procedure Code.	Absconded.	Died.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14					
1	115	Abetment of offence not committed, &c. ...	...	...	...	.....	..	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
	117	Abetting commission of offence by public, &c. ...	...	..	...	.....	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
	118, 119	Concealing design to commit offence ...	...	...	...	.....	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ..	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	.....	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS I.—*Offences against the State, Public Tranquillity, &c. &c.*																
2	121 to 130, 505 ...	Offences against the State	..	...	..	.....	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..
3	137 ...	Harbouring deserters by master of ship	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4	172 to 190, 201 to 204, 213 to 215, 227, 228.	Offences against public justice	5	4	47	2	54	3	9	41	...	1	..	...	..	..	..	..
5	161 to 169, 217 to 223.	Offences by public servants	...	..	1	.....	1	..	..	1	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6	193 to 200, 205 to 211, 421 to 424.	False evidence, false complaints and claims, and fraudulent deeds and disposition of property ..	2	2	10	1	13	...	4	7	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..
7	465 to 477	Forgery or fraudulently using forged documents ...	..	..	1	.....	1	...	..	...	..	...	..	..	1	...	..	..
8	264 to 267	Offences relating to weights and measures ...	..	..	1	.....	1	...	..	1	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..
9	482 to 489	Making or using false trade-marks	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
10	149, 154 to 156, 160.	Rioting, unlawful assembly, affray	2	..	12	.....	14	...	4	10	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ...	9	6	72	3	84	3	17	60	...	2	...	1	1	...	..	..
		CLASS II.—*Serious offences against the person.*																
11	312 to 316	Causing miscarriage	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
12	370	Buying or disposing of slaves	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total	..	..	...	.....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
		CLASS III.—*Serious offences against the property.*																
13	384 to 389 ...	Extortion	...	14	1	2	13	..	4	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		CLASS IV.—*Minor offences against the person.*																
14	345	Wrongful confinement	...	...	..	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..
15	352, 355, 358 ...	Criminal force	(a)3	354	...	128	231	1	50	98	...	11	25	7	..	39	...	..
16	334	Hurt on grave or sudden provocation	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
17	323	Voluntarily causing hurt	(b) 15	113	..	38	90	..	10	44	..	7	..	..	3	26	..	..
		Total ...	18	467	..	164	321	1	60	142	..	18	25	7	3	65	..	..
		CLASS V.—*Minor offences against property.*																
18	417 to 420	Cheating	..	1	4	2	3	..	..	3	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
19	403, 404	Criminal misappropriation of property	(c)	26	..	1	25	2	11	6	..	4	..	1	..	..	1	..
20	409	Criminal breach of trust by public servants, bankers, &c.	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
21	426, 427, 434 ...	Mischief (simple)	(d) 14	244	8	61	205	..	60	83	..	20	9	2	3	28	..	..
		Total ...	14	271	12	64	233	2	71	92	...	24	9	3	3	28	1	..
		CLASS VI.—*Other offences not specified above.*																
22	208	Offences against religion	..	..	..	.....	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
23	490 to 492	Criminal breach of contract of service	..	..	..	.....	...	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..
24	493 to 498	Offences relating to marriage	1	41	..	9	33	..	17	7	...	1	..	..	3	4	1	..
25	500 to 502	Defamation	..	27	..	1	26	..	4	6	...	7	..	..	..	8	1	..
26	504, 506 to 510 ..	Intimidation and insult	..	47	4	18	33	...	4	18	..	1	..	..	6	4	...	..
27	271 to 276, 278, 284, 287, 288, 290.	Public and local nuisances	...	..	26	.....	26	..	1	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
28	294 A	Keeping a lottery office	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
29	Offences under Chap. VIII (a) C. P. C.	Security for keeping the peace on conviction ..	...	4	7	2	9	3	4	2	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
30	Offences under Chapter X C.P.C.	Public nuisances...	1	61	..	5	57	...	13	30	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	..
31	Cases under Chapter XII, C.P.C.	Disputes as to immoveable property	..	204	43	58	189	26	22	81	..	47	4	..	..	9	...	..
32	Cases under Chapter XXXVI, C.P.C.	Maintenance of wives and children	...	8	..	2	6	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	3	...	..
		Total ...	2	392	80	95	379	30	65	170	..	57	4	..	9	42	2	..
		Special Laws, offences under which are not cognizable by the Police.																
	Regultn. VI of 1819 Act I (B.C.) of 1866 „ XVIII of 1854. „ XXXI of 1867. „ XIII of 1870 „ IX of 1890	Ferries ... ... Railway Act	..	..	..	.....	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
			..	..	19	.....	19	..	3	13	..	...	..	2	..	1	..	..
	„ VII of B.C.) 1878	Abkaree Act	..	1	11	1	11	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ I of 1859 ...	Merchant Shipping Act	..	..	..	.....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ XIII of 1859 ..	Breach of contract	..	..	..	.....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ XI of 1878 ...	Arms Act	..	..	..	.....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ III of 1898 ...	Cooch Behar Police Act	..	..	1	.....	1	...	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ II (B. C.) of 1864	Jails Act	..	..	..	.....	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ XXII of 1864 ..	Cantonment Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ VII (B. C.) of 1864 ... „ I (B.C.) of 1873	Salt Acts	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ IV (B.C.) of 1865	Vaccination Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ XX of 1865 ...	Pleaders and Mukteers Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ V (B.C.) of 1866	Hackney Carriage Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ XIV of 1866 ..	Post office Act	..	..	..	.....	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Cooch Behar ...	Stamp Act (Act I of 1903)	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ VII of 1870 ...	Court-fees Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ I of 1882 ...	Cooch Behar Cattle Trespass Act	..	68	20	9	79	..	18	49	...	...	11	4	..	2	...	..
	„ VI of 1871 ...	Emigration Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ X (B.C.) of 1871	Drainage Act	..	1	..	*1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ X of 1882, Chapter XXXV ...	Contempt of Court	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ IV (B.C.) of 1875	Registration of Births and Deaths ...	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ I of 1885 ...	Cooch Behar Municipal Act	..	61	79	2	128	...	19	109	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
	„ VIII of 1876...	Native Passengers' Ships Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ I of 1869 ..	Dramatic Performances Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	„ III of 1877 ...	Cow-killing Act	..	..	3	.....	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Drainage Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Other special Laws	..	14	...	10	4	..	2	2	...	..	...	..	..	..	..	..
		Telegraph Act	..	..	..	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		Total ...	..	135	123	23	245	..	38	187	..	..	11	6	...	3	...	..
		GRAND TOTAL	43	1285	298	351	1275	36	255	660	41·77	101	49	17	24	138	3	..
		1905-1906	67	1121	446	298	1326	12	302	759	71·53	42	26	16	11	155	..	1

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(b.) One transferred from Serial No. 15 of this statement.
(c.) Two transferred to Serial No. 21 of this statement.
(d.) One transferred from Serial No. 44 (ordinary theft) of A. II. and two transferred from Serial No. 19 of this statement.

STATEMENT C.

Shewing the race, religion or caste of officers and men employed in the Police during 1906-1907.

Province (District.)	Race. Europeans. District Superintendents.	Race. Europeans. Assistant District Superintendents.	Race. Europeans. Inspectors.	Race. Europeans. Sub-Inspectors.	Race. Europeans. Constables.	Race. Eurasians. District Superintendents.	Race. Eurasians. Assistant District Superintendents.	Race. Eurasians. Inspectors.	Race. Eurasians. Sub-Inspectors and Head-constables.	Race. Eurasians. Constables.	Race. Natives of India. District Superintendents.	Race. Natives of India. Assistant District Superintendents.	Race. Natives of India. Inspectors.	Race. Natives of India. Sub-Inspectors and Head-constables.	Race. Natives of India. Constables.	Religion and Caste. Officers. Christians.	Officers. Mahomedans.	Officers. Hindus. Brahmins.	Officers. Hindus. Rajputs and Rajgons.	Officers. Hindus. Goorkhas.	Officers. Hindus. Sikhs.	Officers. Hindus. Kayastha.	Officers. Hindus. Chhatri.	Officers. Hindus. Rajbongshi.	Officers. Hindus. Hindus and all other castes.	Officers. Other religions.	Officers. Other religions.	Men. Christians.	Men. Mahomedans.	Men. Hindus. Brahmins.	Men. Hindus. Rajputs and Rajgons.	Men. Hindus. Goorkhas.	Men. Hindus. Sikhs.	Men. Hindus. Kayastha.	Men. Hindus. Chhatri.	Men. Hindus. Rajbongshi	Men. Hindus. Hindus and all other castes.	Men. Other religions	Men. Other religions	Grand total of officers and men.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
Cooch Behar ...	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	...	..	..	1	..	2	35	265	..	10	14	...	..	..	10	1	..	3	..	....	...	52	86	...	..	....	21	55	.....	51	..	..	303

KUMAR GOJENDRA NARAYAN,
Superintendent of Police, Cooch Behar.

D.—*Annual Statement of prisoners of all classes in the Cooch Behar Jail for the year* 1906-1907.

1	2		3				4		5		6		7		8		9		10		11		12		13		14				15		16				17	18	19	20
Yearly aggregate of the daily total No. of prisoners of all classes sick and well.	Daily average of the foregoing.		No. of prisoners of all classes remaining on the last day of the preceding year.				No. admitted during the year.		No. received from other Districts.		No. received from the Lock-ups.		Total No. in Jail.		Trfd. to Lunatic Asylum or to other Jail, or to the Port Blair including those in transit.		Released.		Escaped.		Died.		Executed.		Total No. of columns 8 to 12.		No. of prisoners of all classes remaining in Jail on the last day of the year.				Number convicted during the year out of total admitted as per columns 4, 5 and 6.		No. under trial.				Average period of detention of under-trial prisoners.	No. the Jail is capable of containing @ 98 cubic ft. per prisoner.	No. above capacity with reference to col. 2.	No. below capacity with reference to col. 2.
			In Jail.		In Hospital.																						In Jail.		In Hospital.				Out of number in cols. 4, 5 and 6.		Out of number in col. 5.					
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				
31,584	811	86·39	1·40	78	..	3	1	174	4	...	..	141	3	401	8	5	..	284	7	..	..	4	..	..	..	293	7	99	..	9	1	38	...	...	..	..	...	14·66	189	.....	.....

E.—*Annual Statement of prisoners of all classes in the Sub-Divisional Lock-ups for the year* 1906-1907.

1	2		3		4				5		6		7		8		9		10		11		12				13		14				15	16	17	18
NAMES OF LOCK-UPS.	Yearly aggregate of the daily total No. of prisoners of all classes sick and well.		Daily average of the foregoing.		No. of prisoners of all classes remaining on the last day of the preceding year.				No. admitted during the year.		TOTAL.		Transfered to Sudder Jail including those in transit.		Released.		Died.		Escaped.		Total of columns 7 to 10.		No. of prisoners of all classes remaining in Lock-ups on the last day of the year.				No. convicted during the year out of total admitted as per column 5.		No. under trial.				Average period of detention of under-trial prisoners.	No. the lock-ups are capable of containing @ 98 cubic ft. per prisoner.	No. above capacity with reference to column 2.	No. below capacity with reference to column 2.
					In Lock-up.		In Hospital.																In Lock-up.		In Hospital.				Out of No. in col. 5.		Out of No in col. 4.						
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				
Dinhata	1,556	..	4·26	..	2	..	..	..	144	..	146	..	40	...	105	..	..	..	..	..	145	...	1	..	..	..	67	..	75	..	..	...	13·2	.....	.....	.....
Mathabhanga ..	1,510	50	4·14	·13	5	..	..	..	169	9	174	9	35	2	118	7	..	..	1	..	174	9	..	...	..	..	96	5	67	4	..	..	1·82	.....	.....	.....
Mekliganj ...	320	8	2·25	·02	3	..	..	..	74	1	77	1	11	...	61	1	..	..	...	..	72	1	5	...	..	..	35	1	..	..	...	..	10·26	.....	.....	.....
Toofanganj ...	1,046	36	2·86	·10	3	..	..	..	99	4	102	1	35	1	59	..	..	..	..	..	94	1	8	..	..	..	39	..	39	1	..	..	9·8	.....	.....	.....
Total ..	4,932	94	13·51	·25	13	..	..	..	486	11	499	11	141	3	343	8	..	..	1	..	485	11	14	..	..	..	237	6	181	5	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....

HARIDAS MOOKERJEE,
Officer-in-charge of Jail, Cooch Behar.

F.—*Statement shewing the out-turn of the manufacture of the Cooch Behar Jail during the year* 1906-1907.

1		3			4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
YEAR.	Number of working days in the year.	TOTAL NO. OF PRISONERS EMPLOYED IN MANUFACTURES.			VALUE OF ARTICLES SOLD DURING THE YEAR.					Value of manufactured articles in store on the 31st March 1907.	Value of raw materials in store on the 31st March 1907.	Value of plant, machinery, tools, &c. in store on the 31st March 1907.	Total of columns 10 and 11.
		In the garden.	On all other manufactures.	TOTAL.	Value of articles sold to outsiders.	Value of articles sold to other departments or for Jail use for which cash payment into the Treasury was made.	Value of articles supplied for use of the Jail other than for the manufacture department, for which no cash payment was made.	Value of articles supplied to other jails, for which no cash payment was received.	Total value of articles disposed of as per cols. 4, 5, 6 and 7.				
					Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.
1906-1907.	307	1,106	4,685	5,791	12,761 2 3	1,069 3 0	159 7 0	.....	13,980 13 3	441 11 3	1,951 3 9	2,030 14 3	17,704 3 6

13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Deduct value of manufactured articles in store on the 31st March 1906.	Deduct value of raw materials in store on the 31st March 1906.	Deduct value of plant and machinery, tools, &c. in store on the 31st March 1906.	Deduct charges incurred for raw materials, tools &c. in 1906-1907.	Total debits, as per cols. 13, 14, 15 and 16.	Deduct amount retrenched.	Difference between cols. 17 and 18, being net debits.	Profit being the excess of total of col. 12 over total of col. 19.	Loss being the excess of total of col. 19 over total of col. 12.	Net amount earned and credited to jail for hire of prisoners employed in State works.	Net amount earned and paid in cash into the Treasury for value of labour of prisoners.	Total of cols. 20, 22 & 23.	Cash realised and remitted into the Treasury during 1906-1907.	Total outstandings at the close of the year.
Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.
191 12 9	1,656 12 9	1,236 2 3	10,850 13 9	13,934 10 6	....	13,934 10 6	3,769 14 0	.....	908 5 6	277 8 0	4,955 8 6	*13'496 5 0	1,460 6 6

*(1) Sale-proceeds of manufactured articles of Jail... Rs. A. P. 1,2380 6 9
(2) Convict labour.. ... . 1,170 10 9
(3) Miscellaneous receipts 0 8 6
13,496 5 0

HARIDAS MOOKERJEE,
Officer-in-charge of Jail, Cooch Behar.

G.—*Statement shewing the value of labour of prisoners employed in the Cooch Behar Jail during the year* 1906-1907.

1	2	3	4	5																
				JAIL SERVANTS INCLUDING CONVICT WARDERS.				BUILDING AND REPAIRING JAIL.			ON STATE PURPOSE.			WORKING FOR HIRE.			MISCELLANEOUS WORK.		
Name of Jail.	Average number sentenced to labour.	Daily average no excused labour on account of sickness and old age.	Daily average number excused labour on account of Sundays and Holidays.	Daily average number employed.	Ratio per cent. of average strength.	Average estimated monthly earning per head.	Total estimated earning for the year.	Average number employed.	Average estimated monthly earning per head.	Total estimated earning for the year.	Average number employed.	Average estimated monthly earning per head.	Total estimated earning for the year.	Average number employed.	Average estimated monthly earning per head.	Total estimated earning for the year.	Average number employed.	Average estimated monthly earning per head.	Total estimated earning for the year.
						Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Cooch Behar Jail ...	74·41	4·55	15·24	17·07	19·44	3 15 11	819 3 6	5·68	3 15 11	272 13 0	23·34	3 15 11	1121 1 6	4·85	4 12 9	277 5 0	.....	.....	.....

10														11			12		
					ON JAIL GARDEN.									ON MANUFACTURE.			TOTAL.		
Extent of ground under cultivation.	Weight of vegetables produced.	Quantity and value of vegetables purchased from bazar for the prisoners, use.		Average number employed, including fruit garden's land for carts and bulls.	A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F.		G.	H.	Average number employed.	Estimated profits for the year.	Average profit per head of those so employed.	Total daily average number of prisoners employed.	Total estimated earning per head of prisoners sentenced to labour.	Average estimated earning per head of prisoners sentenced to labour.
		Quantity.	Value.		Value of vegetables supplied to prisoners for which payment was not made.	Value of vegetables supplied to prisoners for which payment was made.	Value of vegetables sold to outsiders.	Total of columns B. and C.	Deduct cost of tools, seeds, &c.	Actual profit. D minus E profit.	Actual profit. E minus D loss.	Total estimated earning for the year.	Average estimated earning per head.						
Bighas.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Mds. Srs. Ch.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
10	236 31 0	.....	.....	3·60	....	356 11 3	401 10 9	758 6 0	104 4 9	654 1 3	.....	654 1 3	.....	15·26	11,885 14 9	.....	89·59	15,030 7 0	.....

HARIDAS MOOKERJEE,
Officer-in-charge of Jail, Cooch Behar.

H.—*Statement shewing the cost of the Cooch Behar Jail during the year 1906-1907.*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
EXPENDITURE DURING THE WHOLE YEAR.							AVERAGE GROSS COST OF EACH PRISONER ON ACCOUNT OF				
Jail guard.	Establishment.	Feeding.	Clothing, Jail building, contingencies &c.	Total.	Deduct profit of manufacture, credited *vide* column 12, Statement C.	Net cost.	Jail guard.	Establishment.	Died.	Clothing, Jail building, contingencies &c.	Total gross cost per prisoner.
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
.....	3,089 0 0	2,709 10 8	2,575 6 10	8,374 1 6	.....	.....	.....	35 1 7	31 12 8	29 4 3	95 2 6

HARIDAS MOOKERJEE,

Officer-in-charge of Jail, Cooch Behar.

I.—*Statement showing the Jail offences and nature of punishments inflicted during the year* 1906-1907.

Jail offences.	Description of punishments.	No. of convicts.
Having forbidden articles in possession, stealing and other offences against prison discipline.	Loss of marks	36
	Corporal punishment ...	1
	Degraded from Warder's post ..	2
	Put in heavy irons	...
	Wearing gunny suits ...	38
	Putting in solitary cells ...	4
	Judicially punished ...	...
	Warned	15
	Standing Hand-cuff	24
	Hard Labour	3
	Total ...	123

J.—*Statement shewing the General Receipts and Disbursements of the Sub-divisional Lock-ups during the year* 1906-1907.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Number of Lock-ups.	Daily average of the yearly aggregate No. of prisoners.	DISBURSEMENTS.			RECEIPTS.			Net cost.	Average gross cost per prisoner for establishment.	Average gross cost per prisoner for diet and contingencies	Net cost for each prisoner during the year.	REMARKS.
		On account of establishment.	On account of diet and contingencies &c.	Total expenditure.	From manufacture.	On account of wages of non-manufacturing prisoners.	Total receipts.					
	..	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A P	Rs. A. P.	
	13·76	336 0 0	1,048 14 7	1,384 14 7	.....	236 10 6	236 10 6	1,148 4 1	24 6 8	76 3 7	83 7 2	

HARIDAS MOOKERJEE,

Officer-in-charge of Jail, Cooch Behar.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

COOCH BEHAR STATE.

K.—*Annual Statement of Expenditure of the P. W. D. for the year 1906-1907.*

HEAD OF SERVICE.	EXPENDITURE FOR 1905-1906.		EXPENDITURE FOR 1906-1907.	
	Amount.	Total.	Amount.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
ORIGINAL WORKS.				
Civil Buildings ...	47,651 0 5		63,392 2 5	
Miscellaneous Public Improvement.	.....		.....	
Forests	2,697 8 6		4,111 0 10	
Total Original Works		50,348 8 11		67,503 3 3
REPAIRS.				
Civil Buildings ...	25,094 9 10		28,899 14 9	
Military ,, ...	284 14 10		262 8 2	
Miscellaneous Public Improvement.	470 7 11		445 11 11	
Total Repairs ...		25,850 0 7		29,608 2 10
Tools and Plant ...	3,258 14 5	3,258 14 5	2,053 10 1	2,053 10 1
ESTABLISHMENT.				
Public Works Department.	26,067 11 9		24,083 11 0	
Dak-Bungalows ...	1,513 11 3		1,210 11 0	
Conservancy	542 12 6		526 3 3	
Artizans' School ...	1,162 1 0		1,164 0 0	
Lansdowne Hall ...	669 2 6		709 14 9	
Total Establishment...		29,955 7 0		27,694 8 0
Maintenance of State carts.	6,328 3 11	6,328 3 11	6,465 0 3	6,465 0 3
Profit and Loss ...	78 1 11	78 1 11	246 0 9	246 0 9
Grain compensation allowance.	.....	.....	1,107 4 9	1,107 4 9
Woodlands ...	6,622 8 0	6,622 8 0	10,447 12 7	10,447 12 7
Colinton and Prospect House.	6,956 15 3	6,956 15 3	43,127 2 11	43127 2 11
GRAND TOTAL . .		1,29,398 12 0		1,88,252 13 5

KEDAR NATH MAJUMDAR,

Supdt. of Works, P. W. Dept.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

COOCH BEHAR STATE.

Detailed Annual Statement of Expenditure of the P. W. Dept. for the year 1906-1907.

Item No.	PARTICULARS.	Expenditure for 1905-1906.	*Expenditure for* 1906-1907.		
			Amount.	Petty works.	Total.
	Original Works.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.
	Civil Buildings.				
1	Additions to Dewan's Record Room ...	.....	366 15 11	.....	366 15 11
2	Ditto Madan Mohan Thakurbari ...	.....	752 7 8	.....	752 7 8
3	Ditto Tennis Court	.....	1,819 4 0	.....	1,819 4 0
4	Ditto Dinhata Kutchery Building ...	.....	739 11 3	.....	739 11 3
5	Latrine and urinals in the Palace	.....	486 11 6	.....	486 11 6
6	Servants' quarters at Woodlands	.....	907 3 3	.....	907 3 3
7	Victoria College Building and clearing sites ...	12,298 5 2	37,596 8 6	.....	37,596 8 6
8	Electric light in the Palace ...				
	(*a*) Engine shed		9,776 4 5	.....	9,776 4 5
	(*b*) New battery	9,028 15 6			
	(*c*) New wiring		6,409 2 9	.....	6,409 2 9
9	Improving Mr. Oakley's Bungalow ...	.....	2,543 6 1	.....	2,543 6 1
10	Crushed food Godown in the Jail	.....	1,258 13 9	.....	1,258 13 9
11	Thatched shed for bullocks in P. W. D. Godown...	.....	505 5 0	.....	505 5 0
12	Providing partition wall and opening a door in the Boarding.	.....	.....	17 13 7	17 13 7
13	Goomtighar for the Southern gate at Haldibari...	.....	.....	25 6 9	25 6 9
14	Chequar round the compound of Dinhata Dispensary	.....	.....	44 5 3	44 5 3
15	Furniture for Superintendent of State's House ...	2,493 5 0	.....	.....	.....
16	Boarding Institution with out-houses ...	854 12 9	.....	.....	.....
17	Jenkins School Building	3,439 5 10	.....	.....	.....
18	Band Master's Bungalow	5,942 12 5	.....	.....	.....
19	Clearing jungles in the Palace (Palace original works.)	499 8 3	.....	.....	.....
20	Quarters for Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	—14 15 6	.....	.....	.....
21	Ejlash, Council Office	76 10 7	.....	.....	.....
22	Furniture for Jenkins School	717 14 9	.....	.....	.....
23	Certain works in the Boarting	65 0 0	.....	.....	.....
24	Stone paving in the Fouzdari Office ...	4,201 6 8	.....	.....	.....
25	Second story, Civil Sergeon's Building ...	7,697 0 5	.....	.....	.....
26	Furniture for Civil Surgeon's Building ...	301 5 2	.....	.....	.....
27	Corrugated Iron roofed Latrine in the Lock-up at Dinhata.	49 9 5	.....	.....	.....
27A.	Latrine for Dewan's House	.....	.....	142 10 9	142 10 9
	Total Original Works—Civil Buildings ...	47,651 0 5	63,161 14 1	230 4 4	63,392 2 5
	Forest.				
28	Forest in general	1,494 13 6	1,563 8 6	.....	1,563 8 6
29	Planting and protecting trees	1,202 11 0	1,576 1 4	.....	1,576 1 4
30	Game Reserve Forest	.....	971 7 0	.....	971 7 0
	Total Forest	2,697 8 6	4,111 0 10	.....	4,111 0 10
	Total original works ...	50,348 8 11	67,272 14 11	230 4 4	67,503 3 3

Detailed Annual Statement of Expenditure of the P. W. Dept. for the year 1906-1907.—(Continued

tem No.	PARTICULARS.	Expenditure for 1905-1906.	Expenditure for 1906-1907. Annual	Petty works.	Total.
	Repairs.—*Civil Buildings.*	Rs. A. P.	Rs. As. P.	Rs. A. I P.	Rs. As. P.
31	Annandamoye Dharmasala	39 8 3	461 2 5	.....	461 2 5
32	Artisans School with out-houses	132 12 3	.....	95 3 10	95 3 10
33	Brahma Samaj Building	58 14 0	352 15 3	.....	352 15 3
34	Cemetery	45 10 3	46 12 9	.....	46 12 9
35	Civil Judge's pucca house	332 3 6	430 12 6	32 0 9	462 13 3
36	Civil and Session's Judge's office	59 2 7	332 12 0	18 2 6	350 14 6
37	Civil Surgeon's Building at Nilkuti... ...	789 14 8	396 8 9	.....	396 8 9
38	Council Office Building	188 15 8	396 3 3	....	396 3 3
39	Dewan's pucca house with out-houses ...	533 5 2	456 14 5	96 8 0	553 6 5
40	Dewan's office with Treasury and out-houses ...	332 7 8	482 15 0	66 8 9	549 7 9
41	Dispensary with out-houses, Sudder ...	700 14 2	532 9 1	.....	532 9 1
42	East and West wings, Council Office ...	.....	748 4 11	....	748 4 11
43	Improvement of the Palace ground	1,315 14 5	1,924 10 2	.....	1,924 10 2
44	Jail, Sudder	.....	878 10 4	.....	878 10 4
45	Jails in four Sub-divisions	262 0 0	.....	140 7 6	140 7 6
46	Khapra house, east of Bairagidighi... ...	12 8 6	.....	88 13 3	88 13 3
47	Boarding Institution with out-houses ...	337 4 2	.....	107 13 3	107 13 3
48	Lansdowne Hall	1,018 11 1	.....	449 2 8	449 2 8
49	Maintenance of Electric Light in the Palace ...	1,214 13 8	625 3 9	.....	625 3 9
50	Out-houses of Palace (Pucca)	1,079 2 3	1,344 3 9	76 0 3	1,420 4 0
51	Out-houses of Palace (Kutcha)	686 15 3	750 3 0	.....	750 3 0
52	Model School Buildings in Mofussil ...	57 13 9	.....	.....	.....
53	Ditto in Sudder	.....	.....	305 12 8	305 12 8
54	Palace	5,788 9 6	4,898 4 0	.....	4,898 4 0
55	Police Station, Sudder...	105 12 3	.....	154 10 1	154 10 1
56	Native Guest Houses Nos. 2 & 3	160 13 11	.....	226 3 11	226 3 11
57	Philkhana with out-houses	617 4 6	456 1 9	.....	456 1 9
58	Post Offices in the State	428 13 3	492 11 2	.....	492 11 2
59	P. W. D. Office, Godown and Bullocks sheds ...	772 14 7	2,100 2 4	57 0 0	2,157 2 4
60	Quarters for Assistant Surgeon	100 14 6	460 14 10	.....	460 14 10
61	Quarters for Personal Assistant to H. H. ...	100 8 3	.....	173 10 3	173 10 3
62	Quarters for Accountant-General	142 2 9	.....	132 5 0	132 5 0
63	Quarters for the Principal, Victoria College ...	206 11 6	.....	175 10 0	175 10 0
64	Quarters for Sub-divisional Officers ...	193 15 6	.....	496 6 8	496 6 8
65	Quarters for Head Assistant to Officer-in-charge, Household.	9 8 3	... ...	51 2 3	51 2 3
66	Quarters for Minister of N. D. Church ...	153 7 9	.....	52 11 3	52 11 3
67	Rajmata's Pucca House	49 9 10	.....	.....	.....
68	Raj Ander	1,134 8 11	1,202 15 6	.....	1,202 15 6
69	Stable and Coach Houses	1,906 6 6	634 15 4	.....	634 15 4
70	Sub-divisional Buildings	71 4 3	.....	304 9 4	304 9 4
71	Superintendent of State's house with out-houses...	823 4 11	1,028 8 11	185 7 2	1,214 0 1
72	Superintendent of State's office building ...	28 4 3	581 4 0	4 11 6	585 15 6
73	Temples in Town	391 12 4	629 5 0	.....	629 5 0
74	Temples in Mofussil	822 1 1	758 1 7	19 3 6	777 5 1
75	Dak-Bungalow, Sudder	120 4 0	.....	74 4 0	74 4 0
76	Dak-Bungalows in Mofussil	223 7 3	.....	440 5 3	440 5 3
77	Dispensaries in Mofussil	159 14 6	.....	265 12 5	265 12 5
78	School Buildings (Jenkins School, Vernacular School and Sunity College.)	122 10 9	.....	144 12 9	144 12 9
79	Stable occupied by College	24 2 3	.....	.....	.....
80	State Stables at Nilkuti	399 0 3	.....	.....	.....
81	Fouzdari Office Building	27 14 3	.....	319 11 9	319 11 9
82	Church at Nilkuti	37 12 6	.....	.....	.....
83	Printing Office	71 6 3	.....	.....	.....
84	Band Master's Bungalow	234 3 3	.....	9 14 9	9 14 9
85	Superintendent of Philkhana's quarters ...	39 11 9	.....	52 9 0	52 9 0
86	Furniture Godown at Nilkuti	10 13 3	.....	71 8 9	71 8 9
87	Provision Godown at Nilkuti	61 10 3	.....	53 12 10	53 12 10
88	Tehsil Kutchery at Haldibari	106 6 1	.....	60 2 6	60 2 6
89	Veterinary Hospital	7 9 3	.....	71 11 0	71 11 0
90	Sub-Naib Ahilkar's Quarters at Mathabhanga and Dinhata.	157 14 0	.. ..	.....	.....
91	Reserve Police Office and other houses ...	141 14 3	.....	.....	.....
92	Bandstand and Band Godown	21 15 6	.....	37 2 0	37 2 0
93	Tent Godown	3 3 1	.....	14 8 6	14 8 6
94	Tan Godown	432 13 5	.....	.....	.....
95	Sunity Terrace	102 7 2	.....	44 11 11	44 11 11
96	Bandsmen's Bungalow	149 14 3	.....	145 9 9	145 9 9
97	Railway Police Quarters	8 0 0	.....	101 8 9	101 8 9
98	Suktahat Well	41 14 6	.....	.....	.....
99	Mathabhanga H. E. School	.....	.....	5 0 0	5 0 0
100	Duar Mukhtear's office	.....	.....	122 6 9	122 6 9
	Total Repairs—Civil Buildings ...	25,094 9 10	23,404 1 9	5,495 13 9	28,899 14 9

tailed Annual Statement of Expenditure of the P. W. Dept. for the year 1906-1907.—(Continued.)

PARTICULARS.	Expenditure for 1905-1906.	Expenditure for 1906-1907. Annual.	Petty works.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Brought forward Repairs—Civil Buildings...	25,094 9 10	23,404 1 9	5,495 13 0	28,899 14 9
Military.				
Barracks, Stables and Magazine ...	284 14 10	262 8 2	.....	262 8 2
Miscellaneous Public Improvement.				
Tanks and Wells in Mofussil	470 7 11	445 11 11	.....	445 11 11
Total Repairs ...	25,850 0 7	24,094 13 10	5,495 13 0	29,608 2 10
Tools and Plant.				
Purchase and manufacture of Tools ...	770 8 9	1,447 12 6	.....	1,447 12 6
Repairing Tools	1,645 7 11	605 13 7	.....	605 13 7
Letho Press	812 13 9	.....	.....	.....
Total Tools and Plant ...	3,258 14 5	2,053 10 1	.....	2,053 10 1
Establishment.—P. W. Dept.				
Engineer	4,800 0 0	4,800 0 0	.....	4,800 0 0
Upper Subordinates	3,860 0 0	3,720 0 0	.....	3,720 0 0
Lower ditto	1,800 0 0	1,380 0 0	.....	1,380 0 0
Petty	2,088 9 9	2,084 9 9	.....	2,084 9 9
Office	4,944 0 0	4,944 0 0	.....	4,944 0 0
Cooch Behar Agency	444 0 0	444 0 0	.....	444 0 0
Travelling allowances	5,324 4 3	3,728 10 9	.....	3,728 10 9
Contingencies	2,460 10 6	2,571 10 0	.....	2,571 10 0
Inspection charges	346 3 3	410 12 6	.....	410 12 6
Total Public Works Establishmemt ...	26,067 11 9	24,083 11 0	.....	24,083 11 0
Dak-Bungalow.				
Salary	869 10 6	888 0 0	.....	888 0 0
Contingencies	644 0 9	322 11 0	.....	322 11 0
Total Dak-Bungalow ...	1,513 11 3	1,210 11 0	.....	1,210 11 0
Conservancy Establishment.				
Salary	348 0 0	348 0 0	.....	348 0 0
Contingencies	194 12 6	178 3 3	.....	178 3 3
Total Conservancy Establishment ...	542 12 6	.....	.....	526 3 3
Lansdowne Hall Establishment.				
Salary	170 4 6	180 0 0	.....	180 0 0
Contingencies	498 14 0	529 14 3	.....	529 14 9
Total Lansdowne Hall Estabt. ...	669 2 6	.....	.....	709 14 9
Artizans School Establishment	1,162 1 0	1,164 0 0	.....	1,164 0 0
Total Establishment ...	29,955 7 0	.....	.....	27,694 8 0
Maintenance of State Carts	6,328 3 11	6,465 0 3	.....	6,465 0 3
Profit and Loss	78 1 11	246 0 9	.....	246 0 9
Grain compensation allowance	.....	1,107 4 9	.....	1,107 4 9
Woodlands.				
Establishment (Overseer)	6,622 8 0	420 0 0	.....	420 0 0
Repairs of houses and upkeep of road ...		3,674 4 3	.....	3,674 4 3
Garden (Payable to Mr. Abbot)		3,000 0 0	.....	3,000 0 0
Taxes		3,023 8 4	.....	3,023 8 4
Travelling allowance (Supdt. of Works.) ...		330 0 0	.....	330 0 0
Unforeseen		.....	.....	.....
Total Woodlands ...	6,622 8 0	10,447 12 7	.....	10,447 12 7
Total carried over ...	1,22,441 12 9	1,45,125 10 6	.....	1,45,125 10 6

Details of Expenditure for Original Works for 1906-07.

Item No.	Names of Works.	Expenditure for 1905-06.	Expenditure for 1906-07. Annual.	Petty.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. P. P.
	Total brought forward ...	1,22,441 12 9	1,45,125 10 6	.....	1,45,125 10 6
	Colinton and Pprospect House.				
131	Establishment	.....	1,136 10 11	.....	1,136 10 11
132	Original Works removing Dhubis Hill ...	.....	606 4 3	.....	606 4 3
133	Ditto removing houses on account of slip and putting up new stables &c.	.....	.....	.. ...	.....
134	Repairs of houses, out-houses, up keep of Roads and house bearers.	.....	4,539 11 9	.....	4,539 11 9
135	Garden including Establishment ...	.....	1,046 4 3	.....	1,046 4 4
136	Insurance...	.....	.....	... ..	.....
137	Taxes	6,956 15 3	1,012 15 9	.....	1,012 15 9
138	Travelling allowance (Supdt. of Works) ...	. ...	729 0 0	.....	729 0 0
139	Unforeseen	.....	56 4 0	.....	56 4 0
140	Acquisition of land adjoining Colinton ...	.....	3,6000 0 0	.....	34,000 0 0
	Total Colinton and Prospect House ...	6,956 15 3	4,3127 2 11	.....	43,127 2 11
	Grand total ...	1,29,398 12 0	1,88,252 13 5	.....	1,88,252 13 5

Receipts.

		1905-06. Rs. A. P.	1906-07. Rs. A. P.		Total. Rs. A. P.
	Miscellaneous	1,277 2 5	1,302 8 5	.....	1,302 8 5
	Sál Timber	3,712 12 3	5,009 5 7	.....	5,009 5 7
	State Cart Income	5,055 6 0	5,202 0 0	.....	5,202 0 0
	Total Receipts ...	10,045 4 8	11,513 14 0	.....	11,513 14 0

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Cooch Behar State.

I.—*Abstract of Annual Expenditure of the C. I. Fund for 1906-07.*

Item No.	HEAD OF SERVICE.	Expenditure for 1905-06.		Expenditure for 1906-07.	
		Amount.	Total.	Amount.	Total.
	Communication Improvement Fund.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1	Original Works	20,624 10 6		27,159 10 6	
2	Repairs	32,548 11 5		34,607 2 11	
3	Contingencies	729 11 8		814 12 3	
4	Rest House Establishment ...	838 3 0		921 14 9	
5	Drainage channel	100 0 0		700 0 0	
6	Unexpended balance remitted to the Treasury.	144 11 5		38 7 7	
	Grand Total ...		54,981 0 0		64,242 0 0
	Receipts.				
7	Sale-proceeds of the Bridge materials.	809 10 5		445 15 3	
	Total ...		809 10 5		445 15 3

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Supdt. of Works, P. W. Dept.

Detailed Annual Statement of Expenditure of the C. I. Fund for the year 1906-1907.

Item No.	PARTICULARS.	Expenditure for 1905-1906.	Expenditure for 1906-1907.	Remarks.
	Original Works.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
1	Permanent bridge over Shutunga	6,469 7 5	26,90) 9 0	
2	Wooden bridge over Fulkumar at Nazirhat ...	.....	200 0 0	
3	Permanent bridge over Gadadhar on Lowkuti Road ...	2,490 0 1	—336 14 6	
4	Pucca Culvert on Nowdanga Gangerhat Road ...	.....	396 0 0	
5	Diversion of the portion of Haldibari Teesta Road and Iron bridge on Boora Teesta on Dewangunj Road.	9,911 10 9	.....	
6	Permanent bridge on Changrabanda Feeder Road	1,846 11 1	.....	
7	Do. do. on Emigration Road west of Cooch Behar, 33 miles.	—93 2 10	.....	
	Total Original Works ...	20,624 10 6	27,159 10 6	
	Repairs.			
8	Buxa Road	579 13 11	323 14 6	
9	Balarampur Feeder Road	1,035 2 4	838 11 3	
10	Cross road from Mathabhanga to Shitalkhuchi ...	448 6 6	355 7 0	
11	Ditto Dinhata to Mekligunj ...	1,086 3 9	1,165 15 8	
12	Ditto Patgram to Bhutan	1,316 14 0	918 3 9	
13	Changrabanda Feeder Road	495 10 9	677 7 3	
14	Chowdhurihat ditto	419 6 10	168 2 2	
15	Dewangunj ditto	226 13 3	.....	
16	Emigration Road west of Cooch Behar ...	4,119 8 4	4,042 4 10	
17	Ditto east of Cooch Behar ...	544 9 9	468 12 3	
18	Feeder road from Emigration Road to Patlakhawa	733 12 6	612 13 0	
19	Ditto from Dewanhat to Balarampur ...	210 3 9	264 13 6	
20	Ditto from Cooch Behar to Shitalkhuchi ...	887 4 7	585 11 9	
21	Falacutta Road	296 14 10	309 1 3	
22	Gadadhar Road (Feeder Road from Baneswar to Natabari.)	230 10 5	217 12 3	
23	Inspection Bungalows	865 4 0	1,222 12 9	
24	Janoki Tewary Road	546 14 3	439 7 3	
25	Kashiabari Feeder Road	264 10 3	264 13 6	
26	Kakina Road with branches	1,100 10 5	948 14 4	
27	Katamari to Manabari Road	744 4 1	731 3 0	
28	Lowkuti Road	2,082 14 5	1,790 3 6	
29	Manikgunj Road	227 4 6	300 11 6	
30	Metalled roads in the Town and Suburbs ...	4,055 11 9	3,662 12 3	
	Purbabhag Road	374 5 3	230 8 4	
32	Roads and Bridges at Nilkuti	793 12 0	896 7 3	
33	Roads in the Suburbs	805 10 7	723 1 9	
34	Road from Mathabhanga to Moranga	569 15 1	296 8 3	
35	Road from Haldibari to Bhowlagunj	170 1 9	172 0 6	
36	Road from Mathabhanga to Falacutta ...	243 11 3	395 1 3	
37	Road from Bhetaguri to Nazirhat	210 15 9	133 11 3	
38	Road from Dewanhat to Chilkirhat	697 12 4	586 12 3	
39	Road from Fulbari to Chilkiguri	370 7 10	337 6 3	
40	Road from Chilakhana to Bhatibari	289 9 3	161 7 9	
41	Road from Cooch Behar to Garadhat	1,518 13 6	789 0 6	
42	Rungpur Road	1,193 12 3	690 7 9	
43	Village paths	2,785 11 5	2,072 10 10	
44	Repairs to flood damages	.....	7,311 14 6	
	Total Repairs ...	32,543 11 5	34,607 2 11	
	Contingency.			
45	Ameen and Peon for acquiring lands	718 10 8	766 14 9	
46	Contingencies	16 1 0	47 13 6	
	Total Contingency ...	729 11 8	814 12 3	
47	Inspection Bungalow Establishment (Chowkidars for Rest Houses.)	838 3 0	921 14 9	
48	Drainage (Opening and maintaining drainage channels in the State.)	100 0 0	700 0 0	
49	Unexpended Balance	144 11 0	38 7 7	
	Grand total ...	54,981 0 0	64,242 0 0	
	Receipts.			
50	Sale-proceeds of bridge materials	809 10 5	445 15 3	

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

COOCH BEHAR STATE.

Statement shewing the Repairs done on Roads during the year 1906-1907.

Item No.	Names of Roads	Earthwork cft.	Surface repairs sft.	Turfing sft.	Wood work cft.	Renewing Railings rft.	Renewing Platform sft.	Corrugated Iron culverts rft.	Metalling cft.	Coal tarring. sft.	Sal posts. sft.
1.	Buxa Road	30,907	1,41,363	.....	.....	90	607	.....	.....	...	...
2.	Balarampur Feeder Road	1,05,973	9,88,401	.....	34·90	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
3.	Cross Road from Mathabhanga to Shitalkhuchi ...	17,600	6,77,840	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
4.	Ditto from Dinhata to Mekligunj	1,83,074	15,14,933	.....	16·79	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
5.	Ditto from Patgram to Bhutan	1,34,481	9,61,989	19,360	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
6.	Changrabanda Feeder Road	53,276	1,58,650	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
7.	Chowdhurihat Feeder Road	.....	.....	7,593	5·00	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
8.	Emigration Road west of Cooch Behar	11,90,109	65,49,374	32,190	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,245	...	...
9.	Ditto east of Cooch Behar	17,375	8,93,040	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
10.	Feeder Road from Emigration Road to Patlakhawa ...	57,881	2,98,471	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
11.	Ditto from Dewanhat to Balarampur	34,435	1,21,270	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
12.	Ditto from Cooch Behar to Shitalkhuchi ...	23,784	3,16,330	19,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
13.	Falacutta Road	55,932	2,67,514	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
14.	Godadhur Road (Feeder Road from Baneswar to Natabari) ...	10,465	1,80,630	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	.....	...	...
15.	Janaki Tewari Road	59,780	3,36,512	3,652	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
16.	Kashiabari Feeder Road	1,125	1,38,150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
17.	Kakina Road with branches	1,24,667	11,05,460	9,690	115·37	160	1377	.....	.....	...	...
18.	Katamari to Manabari Road	1,54,318	11,34,612	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
19.	Lowkuti Road with branches	5,49,738	20,12,647	61,020	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
20.	Manikgunj Feeder Road	12,498	2,43,450	750	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
21.	Purbabhag Road	32,374	1,59,037	1,100	7·50	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
22.	Roads and Bridges at Nilkuti	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	395	...	...
23.	„ in the Suburbs	19,066	6,66,330	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
24.	Road from Mathabhanga to Moranga	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
25.	Ditto Haldibari to Bhowlagunj	28,825	3,01,720	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
26.	Ditto Mathabhanga to Falacutta	1,71,199	4,80,680	1,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
27.	Ditto Bhetaguri to Nazirhat	4,275	3,68,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
28.	Ditto Dewanhat to Chilkirhat	1,73,847	3,01,092	50,295	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
29.	Ditto Fulbari to Chilkiguri	65,400	3,54,126	15,530	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
30.	Ditto Chilakhana to Bhatibari	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
31.	Rungpur Road	28,668	10,61,803	.....	13·59	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
32.	Village Paths	2,03,273	19,73,910	22,905	37·97	.....	.....	16	.....	...	...
33.	Road from Cooch Behar to Garadhat	71,777	8,95,432	53,700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...
34.	Metalled Roads in the Town and Suburbs	12,123	12,080	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,348	...	...
										...	...
	TOTAL ...	36,28,192	2,46,18,346	3,09,146	231·12	250	1984	32	23,988	...	...

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Superintendent of Works, P. W. D., Cooch Behar.

N.—*Statement of Roads and Bridges under the charge of the Public Works Depart*

Serial No.	NAMES OF ROADS.	Width.	Bridges and Culverts.								Cul
			Iron bridges.		Pucca birdges.		Wooden bridges.		Bamboo bridges.		
			No.	Running ft.	No.	Running ft.	No.	Running ft.	No.	Running ft.	N
	Roads.										
1	Buxa Road	20	2	310	1	12	3	67	...	.....	
2	Balarampur Feeder Road	15	...	.....	1	6	9	450	2	39	
3	Cross road from Mathabhanga to Shitalkhuchi ...	15	5	324	9	213	...	.....	...	.....	
4	Ditto from Dinhata to Mekligunj ...	20	2	210	...	.....	3	150	...	.....	
5	Ditto from Patgram to Bhutan ...	15	...	.....	...	.....	6	401	...	.....	
6	Changrabanda Feeder Road up to Moranga *via* Ranirhat.	15, 10	1	132	5	54	1	37	2	105	
7	Chowdhurihat Feeder Road	15	...	.....	2	24	...	.....	...	.....	
8	Emigration Road west of Cooch Behar *via* Dewangunj.	20	8	1054	15	402½	1	62	3	286	
9	Ditto east of Cooch Behar ...	20	...	.....	...	.....	5	72	...	.....	
10	Feeder road from Emigration Road to Patlakhawa	15	...	.....	...	.....	1	60	...	.....	
11	Ditto Dewanhat to Balarampur ...	15	...	.....	...	.....	2	50	2	76	
12	Ditto from Cooch Behar to Shitalkhuchi including the track from Shibpur Bowrah.	15, 12	...	.....	...	.....	1	22	3	169	
13	Falacutta Road	15	...	.....	3	106	...	.....	...	.....	
14	Feeder Road from Baneswar to Natabari (Gadadhar Road).	15	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	2	55	
15	Janaki Tewari Road	15	...	.....	...	.....	3	111	...	.....	
16	Kashiabari Feeder Road	15	...	.....	...	.....	2	111	...	.....	
17	Kakina Road with branches	20, 15, 12	...	.....	2	115	7	429	...	.....	
18	Katamari to Manabari Road	15, 12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	2	170	
19	Lowkuti Road	20, 15	2	305	4	167	..	.....	...	.....	
20	Manickgunj Feeder Road	15	...	.....	...	.....	4	278	...	.....	.....
21	Purbabhag Road	20	...	.....	1	12	2	124	...	.....	
22	Roads and bridges at Nilkuti	20	1	16	...	.....	3	24	...	.....	
23	Ditto in the Suburbs	20, 15, 10	...	.....	...	.....	3	28	...	.....	
24	Roads in the Town (metalled)	20	1	.....	2	30	...	.....	...	.....	
25	Rungpur Road	20	...	.....	4	18½	4	410	1	25	
26	Road from Mathabhanga to Moranga ...	12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	4	130	
27	Ditto Haldibari to Bhowlagunj ...	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	
28	Ditto Mathabhanga to Falacutta ...	10, 12	..	.....	...	.....	1	30	4	99	
29	Ditto Bhetaguri to Nazirhat	12, 15	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	1	30	
30	Ditto Dewanhat to Chilkirhat	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	2	147	
31	Ditto Fulbari to Chilkiguri	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	1	20	
32	Ditto Chilakhana to Bhatibari	12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	1	40	
33	Ditto Cooch Behar to Garadhat ...	12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	5	190	
34	Repairs to Flood damages to roads	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
	Total ...	.....	22	2,351	49	1,160	61	2,866	35	1,561	
	Village Paths.										
1	Bowti Road	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
2	Garadhat to Bholka and Majerdabri	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
3	Balarampur to Shilkhuri and Fulkumar ...	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	1	25	
4	Balarampur to Chilakhana	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	
5	Dhubri-Teesta Road to Durgapur	10	...	.....	...	.....	1	10	...	.....	.....
6	Kheti-Mathabhanga Road to Moranga with branch to Kesherhat.	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	3	90	.....
7	Mathabhanga to Ratherdanga	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	4	80	.....
8	Poondibari to Chokkata through Ghokshadanga with a branch to Changrabanda.	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	4	62	
9	Rungpur Road to Bamanhat through Gossaigunj	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	3	40	
10	Poondibari Road to Sil Torsa	12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
11	Road from Fulkumar to Nakkatigach ...	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
12	Small roads including road to Hathibanda ...	15, 10	1	80	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
13	Path from Latkobari to Chowdhurihat ...	12	...	... ..	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
14	Do. from Cooch Behar to Takumari Road to Baneswar and to Marugunj.	10, 12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	3	100	
15	Road from Abutara to Bamonhat	12	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	3	112	.....
16	Dhowlabari to Sissobtola	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
17	Janaki Tewari Road to Ranirhat	10	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	...	.....	.....
	Total ...	.....	1	80	...	.....	1	10	21	509	

Expenditure in the year 1906-1907.

LENGTH.			EXPENDITURE.			REMARKS.
Embanked and bridged.	Embanked but not permanently bridged.	Neither embanked nor bridged.	Original Works.	Repairs.	Total.	
12	.....	.....	.....	324	324	
18	.....	.....	.....	839	839	
12	.....	.....	.....	355	355	
29	.....	.....	.....	1,166	1,166	
11¼	.....	.....	.....	918	918	
12	.....	9	.....	677	677	
2½	.....	.....	.....	168	168	
40¼	.....	.....	26,901	4,042	30,943	*The two bridges one over Dolang and one at Dewangunj deducted and one over Shutunga added.
19½	.....	.....	.....	469	469	
11	.....	.....	.....	613	613	
7	.....	.....	.....	265	265	
19	.....	.....	.....	586	586	
6	.....	.....	.....	309	309	
7	.....	.....	.....	218	218	
.....	11	.....	.....	439	439	
2½	.....	.....	.....	265	265	
35	.....	.....	.....	948	948	
.....	7	2	.....	731	731	
28	.....	.....	.....	1,790	1,790	
4	.....	.....	.....	301	301	
12	.....	.....	.....	231	231	
4	.....	.....	.....	396	396	
8	.....	.....	.....	723	723	
.....	.....	.....	.....	3,663	3,663	
29¼	.....	.....	.....	690	690	
.....	16	.....	.....	297	297	
.....	2	4	.....	172	172	
.....	4	8	.....	395	395	
.....	8	.....	.....	134	134	
.....	7	.....	.....	587	587	
.....	10	.....	.....	337	337	
.....	8	.....	.....	161	161	
.....	27½	4	.....	789	789	
.....	.....	.....	.....	7,312	7,312	
329¼	100½	27	26,901	31,310	58,211	Cost per mile = 67·26.
.....	.....	5				
.....	.....	8				
.....	2	12				
.....	.....	6				
.....	.....	4				
.....	.....	11				
1	.....	4½				
6	.....	12½				
6	.....	10	.....	2,073	2,073	
.....	.....	2				
.....	.....	2½				
.....	.....	¼				
.....	.....	5				
2	.....	8½				
3½	.....	.....				
.....	.....	5				
.....	2	.....				
18½	4	100	.....	2,073	2,073	Cost per mile = 16·92.

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O.—PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, COOCH BEHAR STATE.

List of contribution works for 1906-1907.

Item No.	Names of works.	Estimate.	State grant.	Amount of contribution.	Expenditure during the year.	Expenditure up to date.	Balance available on the 31st March 1907.	Remarks.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
1	Works of public utility out of Chowkidari fund ...	20,800	.....	1,010 9 9	1,010 9 9	20,800 0 0	.....	
2	Improvement of Parade ground	2,525	.....	553 4 4	553 4 4	2,525 0 0	.....	
3	Improvement of Cricket ground	631	.....	47 7 9	47 7 9	631 0 0	.....	
4	Special repairs to Woodlands for reception of Their Royal Highnesses.	17,500	.....	15,034 4 9	15,034 4 9	17,500 0 0	.....	
5	Timber Bridge on Bhetaguri Nazirhat Road	1,184	200	654 13 0	783 8 5	1,112 11 5	71 4 7	
6	Stall for elephants	425	.....	474 11 9	474 11 9	500 0 0	.....	
7	Pucca culvert on Nowdanga-Gangerhat Road ...	896	396	444 3 0	773 4 11	829 1 11	66 14 1	
8	Thorai Khana drain	1,350	700	455 0 0	680 9 3	680 9 3	474 6 9	
9	Dinhata Buxirhat Road	2,613	... ..	2,613 0 0	2,463 7 7	2,563 7 7	149 8 5	
10	Pucca well at Nilkuty	1,419	.....	1,415 5 3	558 5 3	558 5 3	857 0 0	
11	Bagmara well (Dharmeswari well)	500	.....	500 0 0	270 12 6	270 12 6	229 3 6	
12	Purchase of Steam Roller	10,000	.....	10,000 0 0	9,361 7 10	9,361 7 10	638 8 2	
13	Tobacco Godown	2,454	.....	400 0 0	380 9 9	380 9 9	19 6 3	
14	Chemical benches &c., for Victoria College	.....	.....	1,750 0 0	171 11 6	171 11 6	1,578 4 6	
15	Filling up Tank in the Keshub Asram	425	.....	425 0 0	425 0 0	425 0 0	.....	
16	Pucca well at Garadhat	125	.....	125 0 0	125 0 0	125 0 0	.....	
17	Clearing jungles in the Rajganpara	.....	.....	300 0 0	193 2 9	193 2 9	106 13 3	
18	Mekliguni Town drain	.....	.....	182 0 0	.. ..	.....	182 0 0	
19	Road from Brahmo Boarding to Priyanath Babu's Road ...	.. ...	.....	150 0 0	150 0 0	150 0 0	.....	
20	Improvement of Sub-divisions	.....	.....	13 0 5	13 0 5	13 0 5	.....	
21	Corrugated Iron Roofed house at Keshub Asram ...	1,398	... ...	1 4 6	1 4 6	1,398 0 0	.....	
22	Clearing jungles around the stations of Trigonometrical survey.	.....	.....	5 4 0	.....	.....	5 4 0	
23	Hospital Assistant's quarter at Fulbari	60	.....	60 0 0	60 0 0	60 0 0	.....	
24	Shooting Camp at Assam (1)	.....	.....	1,042 7 3	1,042 7 3	1,042 7 3	.....	
25	Ditto in (2)	.....	.....	2,484 0 6	2,292 6 9	2,292 6 9	191 9 9	
26	Chilapata Shooting Camp	.....	.....	645 14 6	634 8 2	634 8 2	11 6 4	

27	Volka Shooting Camp	......	......	500 0 0	304 7 8	304 7 8	195 8 4
	Total ...	......	1,296	41,286 10 9	37,805 8 10	64,522 14 0	4,777 1 11
28	Works in connection with the Town Committee, Cooch Behar	......	15,366	....	15,339 4 11	15,339 4 11	26 11 1
	Grand Total ...	......	16,662	41,286 10 9	53,144 13 9	79,862 2 11	4,803 13 0

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CHAKLAJAT ESTATES.

P.—*Abstract of Annual Expenditure for the Chaklajat Public Works for 1906-1907.*

HEAD OF SERVICE.	EXPENDITURE FOR 1905-06.		EXPENDITURE FOR 1906-07.	
	Amount.	Total.	Amount.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
ORIGINAL WORKS.				
Civil Buildings	3,821 2 6		4,442 4 8	
Total ...		3,821 2 6		4,442 4 8
REPAIRS.				
Civil Buildings	3,578 9 3		4,361 11 4	
Communications	48 4 0		50 0 0	
Miscellaneous	38 11 2		43 14 0	
Total ...		3,665 8 5		4,455 9 4
ESTABLISHMENT.				
Establishment including Contingencies.	917 14 0		962 1 6	
Total ...		917 14 0		962 1 6
GRAND TOTAL ...		8,404 8 11		9,859 15 1

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Annual Statement of Expenditure for Chaklajat for the year 1906-19

Serial No.	PARTICULARS.	Expenditure for 1905-1906.	Expenditure for 1906-1907.	REMARKS.
		Rs. As. P.	Rs. As. P.	
	Original Works.			
	Civil Buildings.			
1	Additions to the Kutchery Building	907 5 9	.....	
2	Thakurbari	2,628 3 3	.....	
3	Pucca well at Panga	285 9 6	.....	
4	Corrugated iron shed for Runpur Kutchery.	.....	3,589 12 0	
5	Improvement of Patgram Hât ground	.....	431 9 6	
6	Barkandaze's shed	.....	420 14 8	
	Total Orgl. Works ...	3,821 2 6	4,442 4 3	
	Repairs.			
	Civil Buildings.			
7	Amlahs' Quarters at Jalpaiguri ...	39 10 6	38 5 3	
8	Boda Toke Kutcheries (10 Tokes)...	737 1 6	706 9 0	
9	Dispensary and Native Doctor's Quarters at Debigunj.	197 13 0	147 12 9	
10	Manager's Residence at Debigunj ...	481 6 5	370 7 9	
11	Ditto Office Bungalow at Jalpaiguri	80 0 6	152 15 0	
12	Ditto ditto Debigunj...	280 8 2	985 13 7	
13	Nripendra Narayan Hall at Jalpaiguri	29 12 6	56 15 9	
14	Patgram Toke Kutchery ...	169 12 3	136 11 6	
15	Philkhana and Mahoots' Quarters...	89 6 6	101 9 6	
16	Repairs to Panga Tehsil Kutchery...	345 9 6	436 15 9	
17	Rungpur Toke Kutchery ...	548 2 8	675 8 9	
18	School Buildings in the Estates ...	21 12 6	64 4 3	
19	Staging Bungalows at Debigunj and Patgram.	229 10 9	178 7 3	
20	Temples at Boda, Patgram and Purbabhag.	308 3 6	309 6 3	
	Total Repairs, Civil Buildings ...	3,578 9 3	4,361 11 4	
	Communications.			
21	Station Road	48 4 0	50 0 0	
	Total Communications ...	48 4 0	50 0 0	
	Miscellaneous.			
22	Tangali Bund Tanks and Wells ...	27 12 0	43 14 0	
23	Reconstruction of Pucca well at Purbabhag.	10 15 2	.....	
	Total Miscellaneous ...	38 11 2	43 14 0	
	Establishment.			
24	Lower Subordinate	300 0 0	412 0 0	
25	Petty	72 0 0		
26	Travelling & Contingencies ...	455 14 0	414 14 6	
27	Chowkidar and Sweeper for Patgram Dak-Bungalow.	90 0 0	135 0 0	
	Total Establishment...	917 14 0	961 14 6	
	Grand Total ...	8,404 8 11	9,859 15 1	

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TABLE Q.

Shewing particulars of mortality amongst cases treated as in-patients in the various hospitals in the State.

NAMES OF DISEASES.	SUDDER HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.		DINHATA HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.		MATHABHANGA HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.		MEKLIGUNJ HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.		FULBARI HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.		TOTAL NO. OF CASES TREATED IN THE DISPENSARIES.		Percentage of deaths, 1906-07.	Percentage of deaths for 1905-1906.
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.		
Cholera ...	18	9	2	2	...	...	1	...	..	...	16	11	68·75	50·00
Dysentery ...	41	15	7	4	5	1	3	...	5	1	61	21	34·42	20·92
Malarial fever ...	82	4	46	5	32	3	32	1	31	...	223	13	5·82	5·17
Debility and anæmia.	10	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	13	1	7·69	37·50
All other general diseases.	15	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	17	1	5·88	36·36
Diseases of the Lungs.	11	4	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	15	4	26·66	27·77
Other diseases of the Respiratory system.	10	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	11	2	18·18	37·50
Diarrhœa ...	12	2	4	...	2	...	4	1	3	...	25	3	12·00	14·28
Diseases of the Liver.	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	100·00	...
Diseases of the Digestive system	4	2	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	8	2	25·00	20·00
Diseases of the Spleen.	11	...	...	...	6	1	...	...	3	...	20	1	5·00	11·11
Other diseases of the Lymphatic system.	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	50·00	...
Ulcer ...	15	3	9	...	2	...	3	...	9	1	38	4	10·52	2·50
All other local diseases.	45	3	9	...	6	...	...	...	5	...	65	3	4·61	3·27
Local injuries ...	26	...	25	1	20	...	34	...	24	...	129	1	0·77	3·59
Other diseases of the skin.	3	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	5	1	20·00	...
Total ...	300	48	106	12	78	5	82	3	83	2	649	70	10·78	10·56

TABLE R.

Shewing the attendance of patients at each of the Hospitals.

HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.	Average daily number of In-patients	Average daily number of Out-patients.
1906-1907.					
Sudder Dispensary	329	8,668	8,997	14·29	68·21
Dinhata „	117	4,445	4,562	4·11	48·58
Mathabhanga „	84	4,767	4,851	2·26	39·14
Mekligunj „	88	3,125	3,213	2·63	17·66
Tufangunj „	87	3,513	3,600	2·07	22·55
Haldibari „	.....	6,131	6,131	.....	47·18
Shitalkhuchi „	.....	3,650	3,650	.....	31·74
State Jail Hospital	49	.....	49	0·95	.....
Police and Military Hospital	180	.....	180	3·37	.....
Philkhana and Stables	.....	377	377	.....	3·15
Total ...	934	34,676	35,610	29·68	278·21
1905-1906.					
Sudder Dispensary	337	9,253	9,590	16·22	64·36
Dinhata „	111	5,028	5,139	4·02	57·27
Mathabhanga „	85	3,826	3,911	2·07	31·45
Mekligunj „	71	2,601	2,672	1·56	15·38
Tufangunj „	77	1,861	1,938	1·47	13·64
Haldibari „	.....	4,802	4,802	.....	36·36
Shitalkhuchi „	.....	3,456	3,456	.....	34·49
State Jail Hospital	90	.....	90	1·57	.....
Police and Military Hospital	271	.....	271	5·43	.....
Philkhana and Stables	.....	272	272	.....	2·25
Total ...	1,042	31,099	32,141	32·34	255·19

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TABLE 8.

Shewing the nature of operations and their results.

Disease.	Number of cases.	Cured.	Relieved.	Discharged otherwise.	Died.	Uuknown.	Nature of operations.
Hydrocele	1	1	...	...	...	...	Cutting operation.
Sinus (fore arm)	1	1	...	...	...	...	Incision and scraping.
Big and deep-seated abscess of axilla...	1	1	...	...	...	...	Incision.
Sinus (thigh)	1	...	...	...	...	1	Enlarged and scraping.
Compound dislocation of right elbow joint.	1	...	...	...	...	1	Reduction and putting up in splint.
Liver abscess	1	...	...	...	1	...	Opening and putting in of drainage tube.
Suppurative Hydrocele	1	1	...	...	...	...	Free incision.
Suppurative Knee joint	1	1	...	...	...	...	Do.
Sinus (Buttock)	1	...	1	...	...	...	Enlargement and scraping.
Cataract	1	1	...	...	...	...	Extraction and Iredectomy.
Necrosis of oscalcis	1	1	...	...	...	...	Enlargement and scraping.
Suppurative Knee joint	1	1	...	...	...	...	Aspiration.
Bubo	1	1	...	...	...	...	Incision and scraping.
Ischio Rectal abscess	1	...	1	...	...	...	Do. Do.
Suppurative leg	1	1	...	...	...	...	Free and deep incision.
Total ...	15	10	2	...	1	2	

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TABLE T.—*Showing the results of prevalent diseases and the results obtained in their treatment.*

DESCRIPTION OF DISEASES.	OUT-DOOR PATIENTS.		IN-DOOR PATIENTS.		RESULT OF TREATMENT OF IN-DOOR PATIENTS.					Total.	TOTAL OF OUT AND IN-DOOR PATIENTS.	
	1905-1906.	1906-07.	1905-1906.	1906-07.	Cured.	Relieved.	Discharged otherwise.	Died.	Remaining.		1905-1906.	1906-07.
GENERAL DISEASES.												
Small-pox	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	1
Malarial fever, ague and remittent ...	9,034	6,555	174	223	193	11	4	13	2	223	9,208	6,778
Cholera	37	31	16	16	5	.....	.....	11	.....	16	53	47
Rheumatic affections	955	817	15	21	12	4	3	.....	2	21	970	838
Syphilitic ditto	181	84	12	8	3	.....	5	.....	.....	8	193	92
LOCAL DISEASES.												
Goitre	747	871	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	747	871
Respiratory affections	1,359	1,267	16	11	7	1	1	2	.....	11	1,375	1,278
Dysentery	767	589	43	61	25	7	8	21	.....	61	810	650
Diarrhœa	664	659	28	25	19	3	.....	3	.....	25	692	684
Worms	951	763	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	951	763
Spleen	1,099	591	27	20	6	8	5	1	.....	20	1,126	611
Skin diseases	5,143	3,612	7	5	3	1	.....	1	.....	5	5,150	3,617

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TABLE U.

Shewing the result of vaccination operations.

		1906-1907.	1905-1906.
Total vaccinated		17,798	16,887
Males		9,772	9,602
Females		8,026	7,285
Christians		...	54
Hindoos		13,433	12,205
Mahomedans		4,215	4,483
Other castes		150	145
Under one year		4,642	5,037
Above one year		13,156	11,850
Successful. Out of 4 points	4	6,779	5,421
	3	1.445	1,707
	2	3,649	2,637
	1	889	853
Out of 2 points	2	4,037	3,621
	1	489	675
Unsuccessful		221	44
Unknown		289	1,929
Total successful cases		17,288	14,958
Percentage of do.		97·13	88·57

TABLE V.

Shewing rate per cent of sex and class treated in the Dispensaries.

	Males.		Females.		Children.		Mahomedans		Hindoos.		Eurasians.		Other castes.		Europeans.	
	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.	1905-1906.	1906-1907.
In-door ..	89·42	87·80	8·81	9·87	1·76	2·33	27·16	28·22	72·83	71·63	....	....	....	0·14	.....	.....
Out-door ..	66·69	65·92	10·65	11·80	22·65	22·26	34·33	35·77	65·32	63·90	.....	....	0·33	0·29	0·009	0·02

TABLE W.

Shewing average population, sick and death rate of the Jail Hospital.

	1905-1906.	1906-1907.
1. Average population of the Sudder Jail ...	82·89	87·79
2. Admission on account of sickness ...	90	49
3. Average sick	1·57	0·95
4. Deaths	9	8
5. Percentage of deaths	10·00	6·12

TABLE X.

Showing the sick and death rate of the Police and Military Hospital.

YEAR.	Daily average of strength.	POLICE. PERCENTAGE OF STRENGTH. Admission.	Death.	Daily sick.	MILITARY. Daily average of strength.	PERCENTAGE OF STRENGTH. Admission.	Death.	Daily sick.
1905-06	293·25	35·12	.....	2·34	185·11	90·75	1·62	3·09
1906-07	280·00	30·71	.....	1·95	178·00	52·80	1·06	1·42

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TABLE Y

Financial Statement.

YEAR.	Dispensaries.	Grain compensation allowance and bonus.	Establishment.	Contingent charges.	Travelling allowances.	Postage.	Diet.	Clothing and beddings.	Furniture.	Disposal of the dead.	Cost of stationery purchased and distributed to others.	Total expenditure.	Cost of each diet.	Cost of medicines purchased and distributed to others.	Prescription fees.	Sale of medicines.	Sale of bottles.
1906-1907.	Sudder Dispensary	Rs. A. P. 179 0 0	Rs. A. P. 5,514 12 2	Rs. A. P. 670 10 9	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P. 765 11 2	Rs. A. P. 188 0 6	Rs. A. P. 26 15 6	Rs. A. P. 31 8 0	Rs. A. P. 148 13 6	Rs. A. P. 7,525 7 1	Rs. A. P. 0 2 4·16	Rs. A. P. 3,231 6 5	Rs. A. P. 347 15 9	Rs. A. P. 212 0 6	Rs. A. P. 14 12 6
	Dinhata „ ...	80 8 0	917 0 0	82 5 9	3 0 0	3 4 0	227 10 0	.....	.....	6 12 0	.....	1,320 7 9	0 2 4·39	.....	40 12 6	46 14 9	1 0 0
	Mathabhanga ...	84 8 0	852 0 0	57 9 9	13 0 0	4 0 0	123 0 3	8 4 0	.....	3 0 0	.....	1,141 10 0	0 2 5·50	.....	65 15 6	82 0 0	3 13 0
	Mekligunj „ ...	63 0 0	1,257 11 4	51 0 8	25 9 9	4 12 6	156 4 2	.....	.....	4 0 0	.....	1,563 6 8	0 2 5	.....	20 8 0	9 12 3	4 7 0
	Toofangunj „ ...	80 8 0	877 0 0	57 2 1	14 0 0	2 14 0	118 9 1	.....	10 12 3	1 0 0	.....	1,161 13 5	0 2 4	.....	32 10 6	58 1 0	0 13 6
	Haldibari „ ...	45 0 0	1,176 0 0	28 15 0	19 10 0	3 4 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,272 13 0	.....	.....	22 2 6	93 1 6	0 12 0
	Shitalkhuchi „ ...	62 8 0	696 0 0	37 6 6	.....	2 5 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	798 4 0	.....	.....	3 8 0	11 1 6	0 10 6
1905-1906.	Sudder Dispensary	.....	5,510 9 2	693 14 6	.....	.....	701 5 3	102 6 3	22 1 6	36 0 0	149 13 6	7,216 2 2	0 1 10·70	3,520 12 2	404 10 0	236 15 6	9 10 0
	Dinhata „ ...	.....	839 3 0	69 7 11	27 3 0	4 3 6	199 0 4	.....	.....	2 4 0	.....	1,141 5 9	0 2 0·87	.....	54 1 0	35 1 6	0 15 6
	Mathabhanga ...	.....	868 15 0	98 1 6	15 12 0	3 6 0	88 12 3	100 14 3	.....	6 0 0	....	1,181 13 0	0 1 11·75	.....	66 15 0	80 8 6	0 8 0
	Mekligunj „ ...	.....	1,122 0 0	57 0 10	1 6 0	2 15 6	48 7 6	.....	.....	4 0 0	.....	1,235 13 10	0 1 6·00	.....	18 3 6	18 0 0	2 4 0
	Toofangunj „ ...	.....	735 8 6	73 7 2	45 6 0	1 5 0	66 12 2	13 7 6	.....	4 0 0	.....	939 14 4	0 1 8·00	.....	13 9 6	17 10 6	1 2 0
	Haldibari „ ...	.....	1,016 0 0	56 0 3	40 8 0	4 4 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,116 12 3	.....	.....	14 9 0	61 9 3	1 2 6
	Shitalkhuchi „ ...	.....	696 0 0	62 15 0	.....	1 13 0	.....	.....	22 6 0	.....	.....	773 2 0	.....	.....	3 3 6	12 3 3	0 1 6

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Months.	1886-87.	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	1891-92.	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1898-99.	1899-1900	1900-1901	1901-02.	1902-03.	1903-04.	1904-05.	1905-06.	1906-07.	Total.	Average.	Remarks
April ...	1·42	4·50	8·20	2·25	10·45	4·84	4·10	12·42	15·72	5·18	4·80	1·86	6·84	4·16	5·25	4·32	6·76	...	11·83	3·63	0·20	118·73	5·65	
May ...	11·50	17·60	11·63	10·60	7·07	15·93	46·22	7·20	16·20	13·64	18·18	23·39	12·73	8·42	15·23	7·91	16·80	10·99	22·96	12·40	20·52	327·12	15·57	
June ...	23·98	54·25	33·09	27·79	47·90	20·23	29·39	22·10	27·00	13·06	50·44	14·65	39·78	42·54	19·81	30·13	27·64	39·16	13·85	52·04	39·49	668·32	31·82	
July ...	18·78	13·84	21·90	41·47	29·58	27·37	41·05	40·13	6·88	56·16	26·37	23·98	12·81	25·53	27·36	18·89	38·68	22·54	23·26	23·96	44·36	584·90	27·85	
August ...	21·14	21·31	14·38	46·70	45·32	8·02	39·97	17·89	18·36	15·90	5·83	13·33	11·89	22·65	5·58	29·01	28·66	26·61	26·18	67·06	51·74	537·53	25·59	
September ...	32·19	17·52	8·14	16·19	29·86	10·87	12·70	20·00	35·31	14·06	21·21	35·90	37·45	21·99	14·21	14·53	51·46	29·63	18·33	18·42	12·16	472·13	22·48	
October ...	4·64	2·48	1·56	2·50	12·49	1·76	0·33	7·22	10·84	1·51	0·85	6·81	1·81	2·59	1·17	1·40	2·95	3·03	15·51	6·47	14·92	102·84	4·89	
November ...	0·40	...	1·60	0·40	...	...	1·20	0·26	...	...	...	0·05	0·30	...	...	0·63	...	...	0·12	...	...	4·96	0·23	
December ...	0·15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0·07	...	0·05	...	...	0·33	...	...	...	...	...	0·43	...	1·03	0·04	
January ...	1·45	0·23	2·62	0·55	0·18	...	0·53	...	...	0·43	...	0·22	0·69	...	0·73	...	0·22	0·04	...	...	...	7·89	0·37	
February ...	0·15	0·14	2·55	...	1·89	0·40	0·83	0·17	0·03	...	0·26	0·99	0·08	0·15	1·36	...	0·12	1·69	0·69	1·93	0·68	14·11	0·67	
March ...	4·56	3·89	0·15	0·13	2·67	1·27	2·85	0·24	0·36	...	2·45	0·11	2·44	2·59	0·64	4·92	1·92	...	2·59	2·44	2·41	38·63	1·83	
Total ...	120·36	135·76	105·82	148·58	187·41	90·69	179·17	127·63	130·77	119·94	130·44	121·29	126·82	130·95	91·34	111·74	175·21	133·69	135·32	188·78	186·48	2878·19	136·89	

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To

HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA BHUP BAHADUR OF COOCH BEHAR IN COUNCIL.

Dated, Cooch Behar, the $\frac{16th}{18th}$ *July 1907.*

YOUR HIGHNESS,

I HAVE the honor to submit the following report on the administration of the Revenue Department of the State for the year 1906-07. The report has, as in previous years, been divided into the following six sections:—

I.—Land Revenue.

II.—Settlement.

III.—Excise Revenue.

IV.—Treasury and Stamp Revenue.

V.—Offices at the Rajbari.

VI.—Miscellaneous.

2. The sub-divisional reports, which were due on the 15th May, were punctually submitted.

SECTION I.—LAND REVENUE.

3. The following table shews the Land Revenue collections for the last 7 years:—

YEAR.	DEMAND.					BALANCE.					REMARKS.
		Bakeya or arrear demand.									
	Hal or current demand.	Amount of balance shewn in the statement for the previous year.	Increase.	Total arrear demand.	Grand total of demand.	Amount of collections.	Amount written off.	Out of arrear demand.	Out of current demand.	Total.	Amount of excess payment or amount which though not forming part of the demand is included in the collections.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1900-1901 ...	18,21,193	37,640	4,011	41,651	18,62,844	18,31,005	7,396	12,854	20,645	33,499	9,056	
1901-1902 ..	18,37,101	33,499	3,959	37,458	18,74,559	18,45,073	4,361	10,819	19,984	30,803	5,178	
1902-1903 ..	18,46,540	30,803	4,493	34,796	18,81,336	18,46,913	7,343	9,037	22,615	31,652	4,571	
1903-1904 ..	18,53,285	31,652	2,391	34,043	18,87,328	18,54,479	7,411	7,483	22,819	30,302	4,864	
1904-1905 ..	18,56,780	30,302	1,439	31,741	18,88,521	18,62,351	8,257	7,273	18,037	25,310	5,397	
1905-1906 ..	18,65,490	25,310	1,089	26,399	18,91,889	18,71,187	4,755	5,967	14,145	20,112	4,115	
1906-1907 ...	18,74,497	20,112	1,998	22,110	18,96,607	18,66,141	3,948	5,896	23,218	29,114	4,596	

It will be seen how the current demand has been steadily increasing from year to year; it was Rs. 13,21,193 in 1900-01 and Rs. 13,74,497 in the year of report. As compared with the figures for the previous year, there was a net increase of Rs. 9,007. The details of increase and decrease are shewn in statements I and II, and are, for the sake of convenience of reference, summarised below :—

Particulars.	Increase.	Particulars.	Decrease.	Remarks.
	Rs.		Rs.	
Increase obtained by the settlement of upheaved beds of Julkars and Chur lands and the resettlement of time-expired jotes.	310			
Increase obtained by the resettlement of time-expired Bunder lands.	412	Decrease due to resettlement of Bunder lands.	4	
Increase obtained by the resettlement of relinquished jotes, Rs. 518.	4,181	Decrease due to relinquishment of jotes	678	
Increase obtained by the settlement of Khas jotes and other lands in the ordinary way, Rs. 3,663.		Decrease due to cancellation of leases of bad jotes, Rs. 392.	1,655	
Increase obtained by the resettlement of Syrat Mehals	8,605	Decrease due to reduction on account of diluvion, Rs. 801.		
Increase due to miscellaneous causes.	39	Decrease due to acquisition of land for public purposes, Rs. 462.		
		Decrease due to falling off in revenue for Syrat Mehals.	2,035	
		Decrease due to miscellaneous causes.	168	
Total ...	13,547			
Deduct decrease ...	4,540			
Net increase ...	9,007	Total ...	4,540	

The table speaks for itself and shews how so large a sum as Rs. 3,663 was obtained by the settlement of Khas jotes and other Khas lands, and how with the increase of Rs. 518 obtained by the resettlement of jotes abandoned in previous years, it not only made up the decrease due to relinquishment and cancellation of leases of jotes, but also more than compensated for the loss in revenue on account of diluvion and acquisition of land for public purposes. The value of land has considerably increased everywhere. But still owing to floods and encroachments of rivers, there must always be some bad jotes; it is such jotes that are relinquished or have to be made Khas under the Revenue Sale Act. The matter is fully gone into in the course of my inspections. In my last report I stated how the gradual development of trade had been increasing the importance of Hâts and Ghâts. The figures given above shew that in the year of report the increase obtained by the settlement of Syrat Mehals was so large as Rs. 8,605, while the decrease was Rs. 2,035 only. A new item of increase on this account for the year of report was the amount of Rs. 1,200 obtained by the collection of tolls on carts in the town of Dinhata.

4. The balance shewn at the close of the previous year amounted to Rs. 20,112, while the arrear demand brought forward in the statement for the year under report was Rs. 22,110, shewing an increase of Rs. 1,998, which was due to settlements concluded with retrospective effect. With the current demand of Rs. 13,74,497, the total demand, therefore, came up to Rs. 13,96,607. The collections, inclusive of Rs. 4,596 on account of excess payments, amounted to Rs. 13,66,141 and the remissions to Rs. 5,948. The balance at the close of the

year was Rs. 29,114. The result for each Sub-division is shewn in the following table :—

Name of Sub-division.		Demand.			Amount collected.	Percentage of collection on current demand.	Balance.	Percentage of balance on total demand.
		Current.	Arrear.	Total.				
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	
Sudder ...	1905-06	2,81,756	7,948	2,89,104	2,82,132	100·3	6,708	2
	1906-07	2,80,739	6,778	2,87,517	2,80,006	99·7	7,489	2·57
Tufangunj ...	1905-06	1,67,930	5,750	1,73,680	1,70,167	101·3	3,720	2
	1906-07	1,70,791	4,190	1,74,981	1,73,487	101·28	2,181	1·24
Mekhligunj ...	1905-06	2,11,273	3,546	2,14,819	2,13,988	101·2	1,200	·5
	1906-07	2,14,458	1,691	2,16,149	2,12,971	99·03	2,752	1·27
Mathabhanga ...	1905-06	3,95,645	5,912	4,01,557	3,95,777	100·0	6,294	1
	1906-07	3,95,782	6,767	4,02,499	3,86,294	97·6	14,437	3·58
Dinhata ...	1905-06	3,09,486	3,243	3,12,729	3,09,078	99·8	2,190	·7
	1906-07	3,12,777	2,684	3,15,461	3,13,383	100·19	2,255	·7
Total ...	1905-06	13,65,491	26,399	13,91,889	13,71,137	100·4	20,112	1
	1906-07	13,74,497	22,110	13,96,607	13,66,141	99·38	29,114	2·08

It will be seen that the collections exceeded the current demand in Sub-divisions Tufangunj and Dinhata and fell off in the other three Sub-divisions, though the decrease in the Sudder Sub-division amounted to Rs. 733 only, and it would have been made up unless it had become necessary to grant suspension towards the close of the year to an involved estate under the Court of Wards. Mathabhanga suffered heavily from the floods of August last. So many as 28 Taluks, covering an area of 61,512 Bighas and yielding a revenue of Rs. 34,339, suffered most. Gratuitous relief had to be given and Your Highness was also pleased to sanction the grant of Tuccavi loans to the ryots. Some Taluks also suffered much in Mekhligunj. Suspensions of revenue had to be granted to several Jotedars on the condition that the undertenants would not be pressed for payment of rents. The effects of the flood were felt more or less all over the State.

At one time I feared the decrease in collections would be rather large; I am, therefore, glad that on the whole it was Rs. 4,996 only as compared with the previous year. Some remissions on account of flood damages in Mekhligunj are included in the amount shewn as remitted in the table; but enquiries, connected with those which will have to be granted for the same cause in Mathabhanga, could not be finished before the close of the year; these remissions will be entered in the next report.

5. The details of arrear demand are shewn below :—

		Rs.
Details of arrear balance shewn at the close of 1905-06.	1. Amount of balance shewn at the close of 1905-06 ...	20,112
	2. Amount collected during 1906-07	11,735
	3. Amount remitted during 1906-07	2,901
	4. Balance shewn at the close of 1906-07	5,476
	5. Amount which may prove irrecoverable out of balance shewn against heading 4	2,000
Details of arrear balance entered in the Tauji during 1906-07.	6. Amount of balance entered in the Tauji during 1906-07...	1,998
	7. Amount collected during 1906-07	1,436
	8. Amount remitted during 1906-07	142
	9. Balance shewn at the close of 1906-07	420
	10. Amount which may prove irrecoverable out of the balance shewn against heading 9	.....
	11. Total balance or total of figures shewn against headings 4 and 9	5,896
	12. Total amount which may prove irrecoverable out of the total balance shewn against heading 11	2,000

6. As shewn in statements Nos. I and II appended to this report, the amount remitted out of the current demand of Rs. 13,74,497 was Rs. 2,905 only. The above table shews the remissions out of the arrear demand to be Rs. 3,043. The total amount remitted was thus Rs. 5,948, which represented ·4 only of the total demand.

7. Though the flood of August, followed as it was by rise in prices of food-grains, caused considerable hardship to the people in many parts of the State, the number of jotes advertised for sale for the recovery of arrears of revenue came down from 3,904 in 1905-06 to 2,914 in the year of report, and the number actually sold from 478 to 406. Many of the sales, moreover, were voluntarily brought about with the object of avoiding the necessity for the institution of cases for mutation of names. Of the sales held, 104 were cancelled under the provisions of the law. The working of the Revenue Sale Law thus caused very little hardship. The total amount of penalties recovered was Rs. 3,230-5-5, of which Rs. 764-15-11 was paid to the auction-purchasers.

8. With the 239 cases under the Public Demands Recovery Act pending at the close of the previous year, the number for disposal during the year of report was 1,195, covering arrears amounting to Rs. 55,453-9-1, out of which Rs. 49,763-7-3 was adjusted. 176 cases remained pending at the close of the year.

9. The discrepancies between the amount of collections shewn in the Tauji and that credited in the Treasury and the financial accounts, are explained in the following table:—

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Amount of collections shewn in the Tauji ...				13,66,141	2	1
DEDUCT:—						
Excess payments (Fazil) made in previous years which could not be credited in the Cash Book for the year under report	4,048	6	10			
Balance in hands of collecting officers, which could not be remitted to the Treasury during the year under report	7,666	9	7			
Amount of certain transfer challans, credited in the Treasury during the previous year, but shewn in the Sub-divisional accounts during the year under report	52	0	0			
				11,767	0	5
				13,54,374	1	8
ADD:—						
Amount of miscellaneous receipts &c., which could not be credited in the Tauji	11,403	12	1			
Communication Improvement Cess which was not credited in the Revenue Tauji	1,950	8	4			
Balance in hands of collecting officers, which could not be remitted to the Treasury during 1905-1906, but was remitted after the commencement of the year of report	1,908	1	4			
Amount of certain transfer challans credited in the Treasury but not in the Sub-divisional accounts ...	1,088	14	6			
				16,351	4	3
Amount credited in the Treasury Cash Book ...				13,70,725	5	11

10. *Canoongoes and Assistant Canoongoe.*—Officiating first grade Canoongoe, Babu Mohendra Nath Adhikari, continued to work in Sub-division Dinhata, and officiating second grade Canoongoe, Babu Syam Sundar Bhowmic, in Mekhligunj; Munshi Kazemuddin, third grade Canoongoe, and Babus Srinath Kar and Tarak Chandra Chuckerbutty, officiating Canoongoes, were in Tufangunj, Mathabhanga and the Sudder respectively. Babu Tarak Chandra Chuckerbutty did the Assistant Canoongoe's work in addition to his own duties.

11. Together with the 118 cases pending for enquiry at the close of the previous year, the total number of cases to be dealt with by the Canoongoes during the year of report was 2,470 Enquiries were completed in 2,070 cases and 73 cases were returned without enquiry. 327 cases remained pending at the close of the year. The number enquired into by each Canoongoe is given below:—

Canoongoe of Dinhata	... 346
,, Mekhligunj	... 263
,, Tufangunj	... 491
,, Mathabhanga	... 538
Sudder Canoongoe	... 432

12. The Canoongoes generally did good work during the year. Babu Srinath Kar had to work very hard in connection with the relief granted to sufferers from the floods, and the assistance rendered by him to the Naib Ahilkar proved valuable.

Besides the enquiries connected with the cases referred to above, the Canoongoes have to inspect Hâts and Ghâts, supervise the reconstruction and repairs of boundary pillars, enquire into the condition and arrange about the settlement of Khas and relinquished jotes and assist the Naib Ahilkars in the Revenue Administration of their Sub-divisions in various other ways.

13. *Revenue Cases.*—The following comparative table shews the number of revenue cases instituted and disposed of during the last two years:—

	Years.	
	1905-06.	1906-07.
Pending from previous year	514	647
Instituted during the year	4098	4299
Total ...	4612	4946
Disposed of	3965	4225
Pending	647	721

There were increases in settlement and miscellaneous cases which chiefly account for the increase in the institutions. A large number of petitions for settlement of Khas lands, excluded from the Reserve Forest, was received in Tufangunj. The result for each Sub-division for the last two years is compared below:—

Name of Sub-division.		Total for disposal.	Total disposed of.	Percentage of disposals over total for disposal.
Sudder ...	1905-06	948	747	78·7
	1906-07	1,104	845	76·0
Tufangunj ...	1905-06	934	815	87·2
	1906-07	926	752	81·2
Mekhligunj ...	1905-06	741	656	88·5
	1906-07	652	599	90·7
Mathabhanga ...	1905-06	768	671	87·3
	1906-07	1,030	906	87·9
Dinhata ...	1905-06	924	784	84·9
	1906-07	945	842	89·1

It will be seen that the institutions were the largest in the Sudder Sub-division and in order of disposals this Sub-division stands second, though the percentage of disposals over the total for disposal last year was 76 only, which was the lowest. The Malcutchery Naib Ahilkar explains that the low percentage is due to many cases having been instituted towards the end of the year.

That was the reason also why a percentage higher than 81·2 could not be obtained in Tufangunj; it was in this Sub-division that Khas lands were excluded from the Reserve Forest. Under Your Highness' orders, the survey of these lands had to be stopped before the close of the year. Improvements are observable in the three other Sub-divisions, particularly in Dinhata. In Dinhata there was a Sub-Naib Ahilkar for 9 months during the year and in Mathabhanga for 10 months and 13 days. The number of cases disposed of by the Sub-Naib Ahilkar was, however, 96 only in the former and 210 in the latter Sub-division. In each of the Sub-divisions his time was mostly taken up by judicial work.

14. *Cases in which the State was a party.*—Babu Nilkanta Chatterjee, State Pleader, was on leave from the 24th August, when Babu Kamal Krishna Dutt, B.L, acted for him.

Together with the two cases pending from the previous year, the total number of cases in which the State was interested was 9, of which 8 were decided—all in favor of the State. One case remained pending.

15. *Nezarat.*—The table given below compares the work done by the Nezarat during the last two years:—

YEAR.	Processes served free of cost.	Processes for realisation of revenue for which fees are to be realised afterwards.	Processes for which fees have been realised	Total number of processes served.	Amount of earnings.	Expenditure.
					Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1905-1906	3,103	1,753	5,816	10,672	6,135 2 0	5,660 0 0
1906-1907	3,147	1,695	5,727	10,569	5,893 0 0	5,246 0 0

The total decrease in the number of processes is 103 only and is chiefly due to decrease in the number of Sale Istahars. The earnings decreased by Rs. 242 and the expenditure by Rs. 414. The net gain to the State after deducting the amount of expenditure from the total earnings, was Rs. 647. Babu Ram Narayan Sirkar continued to act as Nazir and no Naib Nazir was appointed in his place, as I wanted to see if some permanent saving in expenditure could be caused. The permanent Nazir, Babu Kali Kumar Chatterjee's services have been lent under Your Highness' sanction to the estate of Babu Saraju Proshad Singh, the son of Babu Kuladip Narayan Singh.

16. *Communication Improvement Cess.*—There are 199 Lakheraj and Mokarari holdings assessed under the Cess Act; the current cess demand for them amounted, as in the previous year, to Rs. 1,941. Together with an arrear demand of Rs. 46, the total demand was Rs. 1,987, of which, with an excess payment of Rs. 70, Rs. 2,015 was collected and Rs. 9 remitted. The balance at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 33 only.

17. *Miscellaneous work.*—The following table compares the Miscellaneous work done by the Revenue Department during the last two years.

YEAR.	Number of petitions received.	Number of papers on which orders were passed.	Number of Rubocaries recorded.	Number of notices and other Parwanahs issued.	Number of English letters addressed.	Value of stamps sold.
						Rs. A. P.
1905-1906	12,095	9,568	826	14,501	12,742	8,215 4 0
1906-1907	12,958	8,688	992	14,996	14,185	8,164 8 6

The increase in institutions of cases accounts for the increase in petitions, which again served to increase the number of Rubocaries and of notices and other Parwanahs issued. It is, however, noteworthy that notwithstanding these increases the number of miscellaneous papers on which orders were passed came down from 9,568 in the previous year to 8,688 in the year of report, shewing a decrease of 880, which is accounted for by the fact that English

correspondence has been increasing. The number of English letters addressed increased by 1,443. There was only a slight decrease of Rs. 50-11-6 in value of Stamps due to decrease in sales.

18. *Crops and Condition of People.*—The total rainfall recorded at the Sudder Station during the year of report was 183·38 inches against 181·61 of the previous year, shewing an increase of 1·77 inches. But unfortunately the rain was not evenly distributed. There was no rain in the month of April. This retarded the cultivation of early rice, and then again, when the young plants appeared, heavy and incessant showers in the middle of May prevented weeding operations from being successfully carried out, and in many fields they were choked with rank vegetation. The fall from the middle of May was at first very seasonable for the winter rice; seedlings could be successfully reared andthe lands prepared in time. But a short time after the transplantation had been finished in the majority of the fields, a high flood swept over the land in the beginning of August It had been raining very heavily for the past few weeks, and the whole country was thoroughly soaked with the 80 inches of rain which it had received during June and July. All the rivers in the State suddenly and simultaneously rose very high, and a large portion of the State was submerged. There was a tremendous rush of water at places, and it seemed as if the whole river system of the State would undergo a change. The fields, and in some cases the homesteads of the ryots, remained under water for days together, and the misery entailed on men and cattle was very great. The seedlings that had been transplanted were in some instances wholly destroyed, while there were also cases in which those that yet remained in the nurseries, which are usually made on lands of a higher level, were also lost. The Bitri had not been wholly gathered and taken home when the country received the dire visitation; it was not only the portion of the crop which had not been cut, but in tracts in which the flood was high, even some of the crops already gathered suffered damage. Transplantation of winter rice was, however, renewed with the subsidence of the waters, and even in many cases the work was successfully carried out in fields in which it had once before been finished and the crop destroyed, and particularly in those fields which had been covered over by a deposit of rich and fertilising loam. There were very scanty showers during September, and though the country was blessed with rain at the beginning of October, it failed altogether from the latter half of that month at the very time when it was most needed. The outturn of winter rice was not, therefore, satisfactory, being estimated at about 10 annas in the average. The jute, however, had reared its head far above the level of the waters and it could not be injured by the flood. The area under the cultivation of this crop had also increased by more than 20 per cent. during the year. Inspite of the difficulties at the initial stages of cultivation, this crop yielded a fair average outturn of 14 annas. In the Sudder Sub-division it is estimated at even 16 annas. The outturn of Bitri, as far as the people could really avail themselves of it, did not probably exceed 8 annas in the average in the whole State. The rainfall in October had helped the preparation of lands for tobacco and the other winter crops, and in spite of the total failure of rain during the next three months, there were fairly good crops both of tobacco and mustard-seed; the outturn of the former was 13 annas and that of the latter 11 annas. As regards the minor crops, Cheena and Kaon, the outturn may be estimated at 9 annas in the case of the former and 10 annas in that of the latter.

19. The price of rice was very high in East Bengal; large quantities of paddy were, therefore, exported there in boats. The result was that very little local rice came to the Hâts and for a very long time many people had to depend upon imported rice. The Marwari Mahajans raised the price just as they pleased and there were many complaints against them. But free trade could not be interfered with. It was afterwards found that it was the activity of these very Mahajans in importing rice which saved the people. The breaches on the Cooch Behar State Railway and the temporary interruption of traffic on ordinary roads increased the difficulty during August and September. The price of common rice which rose to Rs. 4 in the previous year, never went down. During the rains the price fluctuated a good deal. It was sometimes

Rs. 6 and sometimes even Rs. 7. In some places it was so high as Rs. 8. The price of jute was exceptionally high; it commenced with Rs. 8 and went up to Rs. 11. For a short time it was even higher. The market of tobacco continued dull. During the busiest season it never exceeded Rs. 10, and the average rate was Rs. 7, as in the previous year. Mustard-seed was sold from Rs. 4 to Rs. 4-8 and mustard-oil at Rs. 14 a maund.

20. In spite of the rise in the price of food-grains the condition of people possessing lands continued to be prosperous, because they derived large profits by the sale of jute and paddy. Even those amongst them who had no paddy in stock could easily afford to buy imported rice at a high price with the money obtained from jute. But the landless classes of the people and the lowly paid State servants suffered very much. The grain compensation allowance paid to the latter relieved them to a certain extent. With the rise in the prices of food-grains, prices of other articles and the wages of laborers increased. A good deal of distress was caused by the floods in August to which reference will be made in another place. It was fortunate that the floods were not succeeded by the breaking out of any epidemic disease during the cold weather.

21. *Emigration*—The numbers of emigrants and immigrants for each Sub-division during the year under report, as ascertained by the Police and verified by the Canoongoes, are shewn below :—

	Emigrants.	Immigrants.
Sudder	73	16
Tufangunj	16	46
Mekhligunj	194	118
Mathabhanga	188	189
Dinhata	79	159
Total ...	550	528
Total for previous year ...	442	440

It is the people who have not got lands who generally leave their homes and try and secure lands in the Duars. In Mekhligunj the encroachment of the Teesta on its west bank made several people homeless; they were obliged to go elsewhere. But it will be observed that after deducting the number of people who immigrated from that of emigrants, we lost 22 people only.

22. *Tours.*—I visited Mathabhanga and camped at Ghoksadanga, whence I saw the Taluks which had suffered most from the flood of August. I went next to Tufangunj and camped in the north-eastern part of that Sub-division in order to see the Khas lands which had been excluded from the Reserve Forest. The Sub-divisional Station of Dinhata was also visited. I attended some meetings of the Council at Darjeeling during my stay there with the permission of Your Highness.

23. The following table shews the period of tour of each Naib Ahilkar and Sub-Naib Ahilkar :—

Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterjee, Malcutchery Naib Ahilkar ...	...	48 days
Rai Chowdhury Satis Ch. Mustafi, Naib Ahilkar, Tufangunj ...	...	48 „
Babu Narasinha Ch. Ghosh, Offg. Naib Ahilkar, Tufangunj ...	...	50 „
„ Hari Nath Basu, Naib Ahilkar, Mekhligunj	...	87 „
„ Ashutosh Ghosh, Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	...	52 „
„ Gopal Chandra Chatterjee, Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata ...	...	63 „
„ Bama Charan Neogi, Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	...	33 „
„ Uma Nath Dutt, as Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	7 days	33 „
as Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata ...	26 days	
„ Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...		7 „

All the Naib Ahilkarks continued to furnish interesting accounts of their experiences in the interior of their respective Sub-divisions, which clearly shewed the interest they took in the welfare of the people. The Council have lately reduced the period of tour for the Naib Ahilkars from 60 to 30 days, out of which, in order to provide against hurried visits, they must remain out for 25 nights.

24. *Estates under the Management of the Court of Wards.*—At the close of 1905-06 the Court had charge of 15 estates. During the year under report it gave up the management of the estate of Narendra Nath Chuckerbutty, the charge of which had been retained on his application for a year after he had attained majority. On the other hand, it assumed charge of two new estates, namely, the estate of minors Sovan Ali and Soleman Ali, infant sons of Munshi Saiduddin Ahmed of Nalangibari, a well-to-do Jotedar, who died on the 23rd July 1906, and that of Babu Khagendra Narayan Hisabia of Kuchni in Dinhata. The latter was an encumbered estate. There were thus 16 estates under our charge. The results of management are shewn in the following table:—

Year.	Current demand of State revenue and of rents due to superior landlords.	Arrear demand of rents due to the estates.	Current demand of rents due to the estates.	Rent collections.	Miscellaneous receipts.	Disbursements including cost of management.	Investments.	Debts on the estates.	Cash in hand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1905-06 ...	80,755	1,19,006	1,25,538	1,07,632	38,145	1,48,522	93,462	130277	10,933
Deduct figures for the estate of Narendra Nath Chuckerbutty released ...	400	2,170	1,151	956	112	1,065	3,525	272	286
Net for 1905-06	80,355	1,16,836	1,24,387	1,06,676	38,033	1,47,457	89,937	130005	10,647
1906-07 ...	80,287	1,30,937	1,22,004	1,20,409	58,315	1,82,560	77,817	129857	6,807
Add figures for estates of Saiduddin Ahmed and Khagendra Narayan Hisabia	13,821	16,448	19,050	13,704	9,922	22,665	37,502	4403	1,516
Total for 1906-07...	94,108	1,47,385	1,41,054	1,34,113	68,237	2,05,225	1,15,319	134260	8,323

With respect to the 14 estates which have been in charge from before, less collection of interest accounts chiefly for the falling off in the current demand due to the estates. The collections were better than those of the previous year by Rs. 13,833. The result was very good in the case of the estate of Nalini Kanta Talukdar. But it was not satisfactory for other estates. The dullness of the tobacco market, in places where this crop is extensively grown, continued to affect the collections. Added to this, the disasters caused by the flood of August in certain Taluks, where the ryots were not pressed for the payment of arrears of rents, largely account for the falling off. The prices of food-grains were very high, and in these places the people had not the power to satisfy their liabilities. Chandra Mani Debya, adoptive mother of minor Nalini Kanta Talukdar, died during the year. Her *Sradh* had to be suitably performed. The minor himself was married as also a daughter of the late Babu Prasanna Kumar Deb. These circumstances contributed to the increase under disbursements and decrease under investments.

25. I have been experiencing great difficulty in doing good to the heirs of the late Babu Rati Deb Buxi. His son, Babu Prasanna Kumar Deb Buxi, was entrusted with the management of the estate; but he incurred expenditure and debts without authority. The members of the family have got expensive habits. It remains to be seen how Babu Sarat Kumar Deb Buxi, now the only serviving son of Babu Rati Deb, behaves himself.

26. The arrangement under which the Sudder Naib Ahilkar has been supervising the management of the estates under the Court of Wards, referred to in my last report, has, on the whole, worked well. I trust he will make his supervision more close and inspect the different Tehsil offices and submit the inspection reports regularly. Besides Babu Uma Charan Sen, Babu Kali Kumar Chatterjee, Nazir, whose services had also been lent to the Court of Wards, examined the accounts of some of the estates and the reports submitted by them are under the consideration of the Sudder Naib Ahilkar. He is of

opinion that we should have a permanent Examiner of Accounts for the Court of Wards and that the accounts of each estate should be examined regularly every year. At present the accounts for 3 or 4 years are audited at a time. The matter is under consideration. The Sudder Naib Ahilkar reports favorably of General Manager Babu Surjya Kanta Das and of Babu Hara Chandra Roy, who has been appointed Manager of the estates of Babu Tarini Charan Chuckerbutty and the minor sons of the late Munshi Saiduddin Ahmed of Nalangibari.

27. *Character of officers.*—Babu Gopal Chandra Chatterjee, B.L., has been taking great interest in the welfare of the Dinhata Sub-division, of which he has been in charge throughout the year. He has been able to arrange to have a Pucca Thakurbari, a large Natmandir and a suitable Boarding house for students built at his station. He has also been doing his office work very well.

Babu Harendra Narayan Chaudhuri, B.L., Sudder Naib Ahilkar, to whose vast experience in the affairs of Cooch Behar I referred in previous reports, continued to perform his duties with marked ability.

Babu Asutosh Ghosh, B.L., Naib Ahilkar of Mathabhanga, continues to maintain his reputation as a sympathetic and hard-working officer. I was very pleased with the zeal with which he gave relief to the people who suffered from the floods of August.

Babu Hari Nath Basu, B.L., Naib Ahilkar of Mekligunj, did good work in his Sub-division during the year.

Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi was Naib Ahilkar of Tufangunj during the first portion of the year. He worked with zeal and kept his office in good order. When he took leave, Babu Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, M.A., B.L., was appointed to act for him. Babu Narasinha Chandra has been performing his duties satisfactorily; I have to specially notice the interest he has been taking in settling Khas lands.

Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterjee, M.A., B.L., has been Malcutchery Naib Ahilkar; I am glad to testify to the intelligence and ability with which he has been doing his work.

Babu Bama Charan Neogi, B.L., Sub-Naib Ahilkar, after his return from leave assisted the Naib Ahilkar of Mathabhanga up to the end of the year.

Sub-Naib Ahilkar Babu Jagadballav Biswas, M.A., B.L., continues to be Assistant Chaklajat Manager at Panga and to do the work entrusted to him with great intelligence.

Babu Rajani Kanta Bhowmic, M.A., B.L., Sub-Naib Ahilkar, has been working under the Superintendent of the State in the Tobacco Farm.

Babu Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar, has been acting as Duar Muktear.

I have again to testify to the zeal with which Babu Rajani Kanta Ray, Head Clerk and Sheristadar of my office, has been performing his duties. He is still as hard-working as he was many years ago.

SECTION II—SETTLEMENT

28. In my report for 1905-06, I stated how all other works had been completed, and the Settlement Officer was engaged in surveying the town of Cooch Behar with a view to revise its settlement. Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterjee cotinued to be in charge of this particular work in addition to his own duties as Mal cutchery Naib Ahilkar.

29. The plane-table survey in the revenue area of the town proper was finished by the end of April 1906 and the topographical survey of the outskirts, including Khagrabari, Kharimala Khagrabari and Guriahati, on the 31st May following. The prepartion of settlement papers was then taken in hand and completed. The opefations were finally wound up with effect from the 1st of March last. Full details regarding the operations and the results obtained will be given in the Settlement Completion Report of the town, which is under preparation; in the meantime the most important points are briefly dealt with below.

30. The total area surveyed, including the town and its suburbs, was 10·17 square miles. The area of the town, including Nilkuti and the Railway Station compound, was found to be 4,878 Bigahs 5 Cottas 4 Dhurs or 2·5 square miles, of which 683 Bighas 14 Cottas 15 Dhurs and 82 Bighas 2 Cottas 17 Dhurs are covered by Nilkuti and the Railway Station respectively. The town proper, exclusive of Nilkuti and the Railway Station, measured 4,112 Bighas 7 Cottas 12 Dhurs, of which 1,544 Bighas 1 Cotta 18 Dhurs represented the assessed, and 2,568 Bighas 5 Cottas 14 Dhurs the unassessed area. In the assessed area is included 85 Bighas 13 Cottas 2 Dhurs of land which had been added after its rates had been revised in the course of the Rakam Charcha Settlement of the Pergunah; this land did not therefore come within the scope of the present operations. The land which actually came under the resettlement operations, was, therefore, 1,458 Bighas 8 Cottas 16 Dhurs. In the unassessed area are included 213 Bigha 11 Cottas 6 Dhurs of Rent-free, 219 Bighas 16 Cottas 10 Dhurs of Petbhata, 35 Bighas 15 Cottas 18 Dhurs of Jagir and 21 Bighas 4 Cottas 14 Dhurs of Mokarari or permanently settled lands.

31. The 1,458 Bighas 8 Cottas 16 Dhurs of land which came under the operations, as referred to above, was resettled at a Jama of Rs. 17,013-3-1 against the previous Jama of Rs. 10,729-8-6, shewing a net increase of Rs. 6,283-10-7, which is distributed over 5 years The amount of increase together with the total amount of land revenue to be realised in the town during each of the 5 years, is shewn below:—

Year.	Amount of net increase.	Total demand of Land Revenue.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1314 B.S.	2,398 0 3	13,127 8 9
1315 „	3,367 15 10	14,097 8 4
1316 „	4,337 15 5	15,067 7 11
1317 „	5,307 15 0	16,037 7 4
1318 „	6,283 10 7	17,013 3 1

32. The amount of increase originally estimated was Rs. 3,000 only. The actual increase has, however, amounted to Rs. 6,283, which is due, partly to settlement of new lands, and partly to settlement at frontage rates of lands previously settled at the ordinary town rates. It also appears that the Gujasta or old Jama now ascertained is less than that calculated before by nearly a thousand rupees. This discrepancy has been caused by the circumstance of some Jamas for lands, which had been made Khas, not having been struck out before.

33. The increase in work which yielded such a large increase in revenue, involved an additional expenditure amounting to Rs. 2,000, which was sanctioned by Your Highness, and which had to be advanced to the Town Committee over and above the Rs. 8,000 referred to in my report for 1905-06.

34. The revenue area of the town was, for the convenience of survey work, divided, as stated in my last report, into 9 blocks, each block being mapped out in a separate sheet. Seven out of these 9 blocks formed each a complete sub-circuit by itself, while blocks III and IV were included in one sub-circuit

The Palace and its compound were shewn in one separate sheet. The total number of sheet maps of the different portions of the town and its suburbs, prepared by the plane table, was 25. All these have been bound together into one volume of atlas. A congregated map of the whole area surveyed was also prepared on a scale of 16 inches to a mile, shewing every one of the 4914 plots of land into which the town proper had been divided for revenue purposes. The sheet maps were drawn on a scale of 32 inches to a mile.

35. In accordance with the orders passed by Your Highness in Council, all lands situated on the north of the Hazrapara Road up to its junction with the Smasan Road, together with the portion on the west of that road and extending up to the Torsa, were settled at a uniform rate of Rs. 8 per Bigha. The portion situated on the south of the above and north of the track leading from the Torsa to the Godown Road and the track joining the Godown Road with the Bengchatra Road, was settled at the rate of Rs. 6 per Bigha, and the remaining portions of the town Taluk at the rates adopted for the resettlement of the State.

36. The following table shews the quantities of land assessed at each of these rates :—

	B.	C.	D.	Rs.	A.	P.
Total quantity of land and the total Jama	1458	8	16	17,013	3	1
Frontage rates ... Rs. 1-4 per cubit ...	3	3	3	1,276	4	0
Frontage rates ... As. 12 per cubit	22	7	19	5,407	8	0
Rs. 8 per Bigha	1106	12	11	8,871	14	2
Rs. 6 per Bigha	227	5	1	1,363	8	4
General resettlement rates	98	19	10	94	0	7

Of the total of 1458 Bighas 8 Cottas 16 Dhurs, 112 Bighas 10 Dhurs were newly settled at a Jama of Rs. 1,495-10-6. The greater part of this lay in blocks III and IV, *viz.*, in the portion lying between the Pranta Road and the Gordon Road in which several new Bustees have of late sprung up. The old dirty Bustee of sweepers and other low class people, known as the Mehterpara block, was removed from the side of the Pranta Road some way into the interior of the block, and the site thus obtained was settled at the frontage rate of annas 12 per running cubit. Some Bustees were also removed from the site which is now occupied by the Victoria College and the Jenkins' School. The whole of the portion known as the Shibbari quarter of the town had been taken up for improvement long ago. When the raising of the ground was finished, people built houses in it but no formal settlement was concluded. This was done in the course of these operations.

37. The details of Khas lands in the town are given below :—

	B.	K.	D.	B.	K.	D.
I. LANDS WHICH CANNOT BE SETTLED.—						
1. The Palace and its compounds ...	271	8	3			
Roads and Jhils &c., in the Palace compound	81	6	0			
				352	14	3
2. The Narendra Narayan Park grounds ...	40	14	17			
Jheels ...	11	0	0			
				51	14	17
3. Public buildings and their compounds ...				469	14	5
4. Tanks, Jheels &c....				210	0	1
5. Roads and drains...				469	6	17
6. Lands otherwise required for public purposes				259	12	11
Total ...				1,813	2	14
LANDS WHICH WILL GRADUALLY COME UNDER SETTLEMENT				264	14	12
Grand total ...				2,077	17	6

38. The Debutter and Lakheraj lands of the Rati Deb Estate, as well as some other rent-free lands, were surveyed in detail and the usual settlement papers in respect of them prepared on receipt of the customary fees.

39. Together with 92 cases pending from the previous year, and 14 cases received from other Courts, the total number of cases for disposal came up

to 349, of which 337 were disposed of and 12 transferred to the Malcutchery on the abolition of the Settlement Office.

40. I was quite satisfied with Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterjee's work in the Settlement Department. He has acquired much valuable experience which will be of very great use both to him and the State.

SECTION III.—EXCISE REVENUE.

41. Owing chiefly to increase in the annual demand for outstills and country liquor shops the current demand of Excise Revenue rose from Rs. 1,12,330 in 1905-06 to Rs. 1,13,296 in the year of report. The arrear demand amounted to Rs. 152, which made up the total demand of Rs. 1,13,448, out of which Rs. 1,13,316 was collected and Rs. 107 written-off. The balance at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 25. The variations in the collections are explained below:—

(1) *Country Spirit.*—Increase Rs. 5,076. There was a revival of competition amongst some of the Abkars; outstills and country liquor shops could, therefore, be settled on favorable terms. This accounts for the increase. It appears that the increase over the average of 5 previous years was Rs. 4,241. As will be noticed below, the increase in consumption of imported liquors has much decreased; this has no doubt also contributed to the increase of revenue from country spirit.

(2) *Imported Spirit.*—There was an increase of Rs. 208 in license-fees owing to the rate of monthly fee for each shop, which was before Rs. 4, being raised to Rs. 8. But owing to decrease in consumption from 2452 to 1576½ bottles, the collections on account of duty, which is levied at the rate of annas 6 per bottle, fell off from Rs. 919-8 in 1905-06 to Rs. 591-3 in the year of report. The average decrease during the last 5 years has amounted to 1854½ bottles in consumption and Rs. 696 in duty. The manufacture of country spirit of a better quality in the town of Cooch Behar, where the comsumption is the largest, chiefly accounts for the decrease. As reported before, many persons still obtain supplies for their own consumption direct from Calcutta. The Malcutchery Naib Ahilkar remarks in his report that the Swadesi movement is said to be also responsible for the decrease to a certain extent.

(3) *Ganja.*—There was an increase of Rs 151-9-3 in license-fees; but there was a great decrease in consumption. The decrease, as shown in the books, was from 68 maunds 23 seers 4 chattaks to 56 maunds 21 seers. These figures do not exactly convey a correct idea of the amount of decrease, as during a part of 1905-06 *choor* as well as other sorts of Ganja containing twigs were used, while during the year of report the drug which could be obtained was *choor* Ganja only. Still there can be no doubt of there having been a large decrease in the consumption of this intoxicating substance, resulting in a decrease of Rs 4,732 in the collections. The decrease is due to rise in the price of food-grains, owing to which poor people had not much money to spare, and also to the rise in the price of Ganja in the Rajshahi District.

(4) *Opium.*—There were increases of Rs 84 under license-fees and of Rs 806 under duty. The increase in duty is chiefly observable in Sub-division Tufangunj, where, possibly, owing to larger clearances and the opening up of the country, people find it easier to obtain supplies from our shops than, as before, in those in the neighbouring British Districts.

42. The usual statement shewing the demand, collection and balance under each head of revenue is hereto appended.

43. The table given below compares the collections in each Sub-division during the last two years :—

Name of Sub-division.	Total of current and arrear demands for 1906-1907.	Total collections for 1906-1907.	Total collections for 1905-1906.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Sudder	39,309 11 0	39,309 11 0	39,601 0 3
Tufangunj	18,875 8 9	18,850 0 9	17,996 4 9
Mekhligunj...	15,838 11 0	15,805 11 0	15,470 10 3
Mathabhanga	17,441 11 0	17,441 11 0	17,969 6 9
Dinhata	21,982 14 9	21,908 14 9	21,191 9 6
Total ...	1,13,448 8 6	1,13,316 0 6	1,12,228 15 6

With the exception of very small amounts the entire demands were collected in all Sub-divisions. Out of the remainder Rs 107 has been written off under sanction, and Rs 25 has been recommended for being written off. So there is nothing really due.

44. The number of cases relating to breach of Excise laws was 10 against 12 of the previous year. Of the 10 cases, the accused in one case only was discharged. The amount of reward paid to informants and others, who were instrumental in the detection of crime, was Rs 228.

45. All the Sub-divisional Officers inspected the shops in their respective jurisdictions. I also visited some shops in the course of my tour. The Naib Ahilkar of Tufangunj has brought to special notice the tact displayed by his Excise Mohurir in detecting a case of smuggling and bringing the offender to justice.

SECTION IV.—TREASURY AND STAMP REVENUE.

46. The charge of the Treasury lay with Babu Harendra Narayan Chowdhury throughout the year excepting for two weeks from the 12th April, when he was deputed to Tufangunj for the settlement of the boundary near Chhat Bara Laukuti, and the charge remained with Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterjee, Malcutchery Naib Ahilkar.

47. The year opened with a cash balance of Rs. 9,67,279-14-2, of which Rs. 7,52,522-3-1 belonged to the State, Rs. 1,46,374-13-7 to Funds and Deposits and the remainder, namely, Rs. 68,382-13-6, to the Government of Bengal. The closing balance on the 31st March 1907 stood at Rs. 9,84,067-10-11, divided as follows :—

	Rs.	As.	P.
1. Cooch Behar State	7,11,610	4	2
2. Funds and Deposits	1,33,166	1	3
3. Government of Bengal	1,39,291	5	6
Total ...	9,84,067	10	11

The closing State cash balance was lower than that of the previous year by Rs. 40,911-14-11. But this apparent deficit is converted into a real increase of Rs. 60,000 when it is remembered that one lac of rupees out of the cash balance was invested in Government securities towards the close of the year.

48. The total receipts and disbursements of the year were Rs. 33,28,507-15-3 and Rs. 33,11,720-2-6 against Rs. 30,48,277-15-3 and Rs. 29,67,460-4-7, respectively, of the previous year, shewing an increase of Rs. 2,80,230 under receipts and Rs. 3,44,259-13-11 under disbursements. This enormous increase under both receipts and disbursements was to a considerable extent more apparent than real and was chiefly due to the fact that during the year of report more transfers from one head to another were effected than in the year 1905-06. Out of the increased receipts and disbursements shewn above, the actual increase in cash was Rs. 70,214-11-4 under receipts and Rs. 1,34,244-9-3 under disbursements, while the remainder, Rs. 2,10,015-4-8, represents per contra transactions. There were larger remittances from the Chaklajat Estates which chiefly account for the increase

under receipts, while that under disbursements was largely due to the investment of one lac of rupees out of the cash balance in Government securities and the extra provision made on account of Your Highness' personal expenses.

49. During the year under review Rs. 16,73,105 was received and Rs. 19,04,335 paid in currency notes against Rs. 18,98,405 and Rs. 17,40,740, respectively, of the previous year, shewing a decrease of Rs. 2,25,300 in receipts and an increase of Rs. 1,63,575 in payments. This decrease under receipts and increase under payments in transactions of currency notes are due to the fact that for three or four months in the beginning of the year the cash balance consisted chiefly of currency notes and the amount in whole rupees was comparatively small. Therefore, while on the one hand the receipt of currency notes in lieu of whole rupees was restricted, such notes were on the other freely given to the trading public in exchange of silver.

50. It will be seen from the statement hereto annexed, that the total Stamp Revenue for the year under review was Rs. 1,70,641-11-6 against Rs 1,66,004-7-0 of the preceding year, shewing an increase of Rs. 4,637-4-6. The quinquennial statement given below shews how this revenue has steadily increased :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
1902-03	1,49,292	0	0
1903-04	1,51,907	11	0
1904-05	1,57,609	11	0
1905-06	1,66,004	7	0
1906-07	1,70,641	11	6

Litigation has not appreciably increased during the last 5 years, the increase in civil suits being 70 only in 1904-05 and 58 and 155 during 1905-06 and 1906-07, respectively, as compared with the immediately preceding years; it is, therefore, no doubt a fact that the new Stamp Law, which has been in operation during the last 4 years of the above period, and which has to a certain extent raised the duty chargeable in respect of plaints &c., has greatly contributed to the increase in revenue, though it must at the same time be stated that the extension of trade and cultivation has increased the consumption of Documentary Stamps. There was one case instituted in the Court of the Civil and Sessions Judge in which the amount of claim was rather large, and therefore the stamp duty realised was also large.

51. Out of the total gross receipts of Rs. 1,70,641-11-6, Rs. 3,814-8-3 was paid to vendors on account of commission, against Rs. 3,688-13-6 of the previous year. The increase of Rs. 125-10-9 represents larger commission to vendors which automatically increases with greater sale of stamps.

52. It will be seen from the comparative statement given below that increase has been obtained under every denomination of stamps except cartridge paper, under which there is a trifling decrease of Rs. 12-8 :—

Denomination of stamps.	Receipts.		Difference.		Remarks.
	1905-06.	1906-07.	Increase.	Decrease.	
	Rs. A.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A.	
Judicial stamps ...	86,207 0	87,421 8 0	1,214 8 0	.....	
Documentary ,, ...	40,382 0	42,349 4 0	1,967 4 0	.....	
Court-fee ,, ...	31,764 12	32,093 8 0	328 12 0	.....	
Copying-fee ,, ...	2,856 0	3,310 0 0	452 0 0	.....	
Adhesive ,, ...	3,631 1	4,316 4 0	685 3 0	.....	
Cartridge papers ...	974 8	962 0 0	.....	12 8	
Miscellaneous ...	187 2	189 3 8	2 1 6	.....	
Total	1,66,004 7	1,70,641 11 6	4,649 12 6	12 8	Net increase Rs. 4,637-4-6.

53. Towards the close of the year a reform was initiated in the matter of closing the Treasury books just on the last open day of March, thus putting a stop to the old practice of keeping them open for some days after the close of the year for receipt of money. This reform was accomplished without the slightest inconvenience either in the Treasury or in the Sub-divisions, and my acknowledgments are due to the Heads of the several Departments who helped me in carrying it out.

54. A system of devolution has also been introduced from the beginning of the current official year in the matter of payment of Sub-divisional bills, which, with a few exceptions, are now paid from the respective Sub-Treasuries. It is hoped the new system would work well.

55. I have again to testify to the ability with which Babu Harendra Narayan Chowdhury discharged his duties. Babu Rajani Kanta Chuckerbutty, B. A., Accountant, and Babu Basanta Kumar Ray, Treasurer, have been very favorably reported upon by him.

SECTION V.—OFFICES AT THE RAJBARI.

56. The charge of the Duar Office rested with Babu Rajani Kanta Bhowmik from the beginning of the year till the 11th June, and with Babu Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta during the remainder of the year. Babu Chandra Kamal Lahiri, who had been under suspension from the 6th November 1905 owing to irregularities committed by him, was, under Your Highness' orders, dismissed from the State service from the date of his suspension. The subject of re-organising the Duar office and abolishing the post of Duar Mokhtear is now under the consideration of Your Highness. The Duar Mokhtear has at present to devote more time to the work of supervising the Debutter Department than to Household work. I have submitted a scheme dealing fully with details, into which it is not necessary to enter here.

57. During the year under report the total expenditure of the Duar Department on account of allowances &c., was Rs. 78,813 and that of the Dharmadhyakhya Department Rs. 36,208, against Rs. 78,154 (inclusive of a refund of Rs. 250) and Rs. 33,827, respectively, of the previous year. Notwithstanding the increased allowance granted to the Madhyam Aye Gharani, the grain compensation allowance and bonus paid to the lowly paid State Officers and others, and some additional expenditure under contingencies for the Toshakhana, amounting in all to Rs. 3,232, the net increase in the expenditure of the Duar Department was small, because there were large savings in the Duar Mokhtear's pay. The increase in the Dharmadhyakhya Department was due to increase under "Religious Performances" and "Periodical pujas," chiefly caused by the high prices of the year, and to the payment of grain compensation allowance and bonus.

58. Forty-one poor boys received education allowance, of whom 18, as in the previous year, were natives of the State. One stipend-holder, Babu Govinda Sankar Sarvadhyakhya, was the first Native Brahmin among Your Highness' subjects, who passed the B. L. Examination during the year.

59. Your Highness left for Darjeeling on the 14th May and returned to the capital on the 19th November. Your Highness again left for Calcutta on the 1st December and returned here on the 9th February. Her Highness the Maharani C. I., returned from England on the 13th March last.

60. His Honour Sir Andrew Fraser, M.A., L.L.D., K.C.S.I., Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, paid a visit to the State on the 23rd November. His Honour was shown over the State Council, the Council and Malcutchery Record Offices, the Jail, the Treasury and the experimental tobacco farm at Nilkothi.

61. Maharajkumar Raj Rajendra Narayan was appointed an Additional Member of the State Council, both on the Judicial and the Executive side.

62. Maharajkumars Jitendra Narayan and Victor Nityendra Narayan were in the Imperial Cadet Corps when the year closed. Maharajkumar Hitendra Narayan returned from England. The question of giving special training

to the younger Maharajkumars in different subjects has been lately engaging Your Highness' careful attention.

63. Kalamati Aye, a lady attached to the Andar of the late Maharaja Harendra Narayan Bhup Bahadur, who was residing at Benares, died during the year.

64. The number of patients treated at the Ayurvedic Dispensary during the year was 10,171. The average daily attendance was 30·18 against 27·8 of the previous year. The system of account-keeping in proper form has been enforced. This has increased the clerical work and necessitated the appointment of a compounder. This institution continues to do much good work.

65. The Puneah Darbar was held on the 9th May. All Pujas, daily and periodical, and *Sradhs* were duly performed. Altogether 31,279 people, or about 86 persons on an average per diem, were fed at the Thakurbaries. The number of people who received their food at the Anandamayi Dharmasala was 3,259; of these, 1,503 were also lodged there. The festivities connected with the Rash Jatra were a complete success and continued to be popular amongst all classes of the people. The Duar Mokhtear remarks as follows in connection with the subject.:—

"Likewise the Rash Puja of the year was unique in its success. The Krishnagar figures, which were exhibited for show on the occasion, were beautifully grouped in artistical position, which gave the whole Thakurbari a highly picturesque view. The premier Bioscope party of Calcutta was called out, which for two nights entertained a gathering of about 30,000 people with excellent performances. People as far from Jalpaiguri and Dinajpur, not to speak of those from every part of the State, were attracted here by the report of the festivities of the Rash Puja, which has now grown to be the most popular festival of the State. Indeed the Rash Puja deserves every encouragement."

66. In my last report I stated how many reforms had been introduced by Babu Harendra Narayan Chowdhury, Sudder Naib Ahilkar, and Babu Rajani Kanta Bhowmic, Offg. Duar Mokhtear. I am glad Babu Jotindra Mohun Sen Gupta B.L., Offg. Duar Mokhtear, also performed his duties with zeal and intelligence. The work of supervising the Pujas and the distribution of eatables in the Thakurbaris and the Anandamayi Dharmasala was very well done.

SECTION VI.—MISCELLANEOUS.

67. *Benares.*—The only lady who was residing in Benares at the close of the previous year, was Kalamati Aye Kanya, belonging to the Andar of Maharaja Harendra Narayan Bhup Bahadur. She died lately.

68. During the year of report, the State Agent in Benares disbursed Rs. 11,478, against 11,280 of the previous year, on account of allowances of persons residing there, maintenance of Thakurbaries and repair of houses. Owing to rise in the price of food-grains, Your Highness in Council was pleased to make an additional grant for the maintenance of Your Highness' *Chhatra* and to sanction the payment, as in Cooch Behar, of bonus and grain compensation allowance for nine months from April, to the lowly paid servants of the State. The State Agent, Babu Syama Charan Sanyal, continues to work satisfactorily. Your Highness has been again pleased to grant him another extension for two years in appreciation of his faithful services.

69. *Bunders.*—In my previous report I stated how the Haldibari Bunder, had been gradually declining owing to the opening out of other orûtes for the jute trade. It is well known that the greater portion of the jute purchased by the merchants at Haldibari comes from British Territory on the west; some of this jute has been going to Siliguri and some to Chilahati. In 1905-06 I observed that the further decline of the Bunder had been arrested. During the year of report one new firm was opened. The price of jute fluctuated much during the year; but on the whole it was very high, as has been stated in another portion of this report. The outturn was good; the quantity which came to the market, however, was not so large as in the previous year. The result was that the number of jute carts came down from 66,366 in 1905-06

to 60,943 in the year of report. The decrease of 5,423 carts was, made up to a great extent by the increase in the number of other carts, particularly those carrying tobacco, which rose from 546 to 4,125. This increase in tobacco carts was due to the fact that under a misapprehension only carts coming with tobacco for sale in the Bunder used to be taxed before, those bringing tobacco bought elsewhere being exempted. This misapprehension was removed during the year on the representation of the Naib Ahilkar. The total number of carts of all sorts, for which tolls were collected, was 67,212 against 68,069 of the previous year, resulting in a slight decrease in the collections from Rs. 8,508-10 to Rs. 8,401-8. A small amount of Rs. 19-9-6 was, besides, credited as miscellaneous receipts. The cost of establishment and contingent charges amounted to Rs. 1,587-14-3 and the net gain to the State to Rs. 6,833-3-3. For the convenience of the merchants a new gate was opened on the south. The period of the revenue settlement of Haldibari having expired, the question of re-settlement is under consideration.

70. Owing to the occurrence of a riot at the Dewangunj Hât many arrests had to be made, which caused dissatisfaction amongst some influential people who tried to injure the Hât. The Zemindar of Chatnai took advantage of this circumstance and tried his best to improve the condition of the rival Hât of Thakurgunj in British Territory, situated within a distance of six miles. His men prevented people forcibly from coming to Dewangunj and adopted other unlawful means. The result was that our Hât declined a good deal. A representation was made by me to the Magistrate of Rungpur. The Naib Ahilkar of Mekligunj visited Dewangunj several times and a ministerial officer was located there to see that no dissatisfaction was caused amongst the people. The Ijardar of the Hât, who had raised the Jama from Rs. 3,000 to so large an amount as Rs. 5,500, filed an *Istafa* which was accepted. I am glad to state that Dewangunj has recovered much of its old prosperity; but it is premature yet to say what will happen during the coming jute season. The fact is, the opening of the road from Thakurgunj to Chilahati has raised the importance of the latter market, and it is feared a part of the jute traffic will be diverted there. The Dewangunj Hât was settled at a Jama of Rs. 3,500 from the beginning of the current year with Bhelang Das, who, it is expected, will take interest in its welfare.

71. At Changrabanda a few new shops were opened and the condition of the Bunder is now flourishing. Mekligunj, which at one time was the healthiest Sub-divisional station in the State, has, as already reported, deteriorated a good deal owing to the shifting of the course of the Teesta. A special grant has been sanctioned for improving the drainage. There was a teak plantation in the heart of the town, which has been uprooted under the order of the Superintendent of the State. The Post Office has been lately combined with a Telegraph Office. This is an improvement which will remove a great want.

72. I was glad to observe some signs of improvement at the Calicagunj Bunder at Mathabhanga when I visited it in January last. The value of exports from the Bunder during the year up to the date of my visit, as estimated by the Mahajans, amounted to Rs. 6,61,015 and that of imports to Rs. 9,32,898, against Rs. 4,41,036 and Rs. 5,96,162, respectively, of the previous year. In the above figures the values of tobacco and jute exported amount to Rs. 2,46,479 and Rs. 2,79,142 and of those imported to Rs. 3,08,741 and Rs. 4,92,460 respectively. The rise in the prices of jute and tobacco and the rapid extension of the jute trade account for the increase. It is noteworthy that the value of jute brought to the Bunder has already exceeded that of tobacco, which at one time formed the most important article of merchandise in Mathabhanga. The figures given above may not be thoroughly reliable.

73. I inspected the Chowrahat Bunder and Hât in February and found they were flourishing. Owing to domestic misfortune Messrs Apcar & Co., could not purchase a large quantity of jute; much of the jute from Balarampur, Dewanhat, Baneswar and Chilkirhat, therefore, went to Cooch Behar. The native firms tried to expand their business; new machines were being bought. A rich Marwari firm wants to open a new place of business. As far as I could ascertain, it appeared that the quantity of jute exported was

64,000 maunds only and that in stock 45,000 maunds. There was great complaint about want of trucks on the railway line. The levying of tolls on carts bringing jute and tobacco to the Bunder was sanctioned by the Council and the right to collect the tolls was leased out. It was decided that Rs. 600 was to be annually paid out of the Jama obtained to the local Town Committee in view of the increased expenditure to be incurred by that body in improving the roads in the town Jute trade was very brisk at Bakshirhat in Sub-division Tufangunj. One pressing machine has been already working there. Jute is sent down in boats from the Bunder. Balarampur is also flourishing.

74. The Town Committee of Dinhata have been engaged in the work of metalling the roads. This town has been increasing much in size and importance. The opening of the Shutunga Bridge will prove advantageous to Mathabhanga; the Town Committee there too will have to spend another large sum on metalling the roads. Improvements have also been made at Haldibari.

75. *Fairs*—The toll collections at the Haldibari Fair amounted to Rs. 1,524 and those at the Fulbari Fair to Rs. 299 against Rs. 1,496-12 and Rs. 286-15, respectively, of the previous year, shewing slight increases in both the places. The largest increase was obtained at the Dinhata Fair where Rs. 3,262 was realised against Rs. 2,025 of the previous year. The increase was due chiefly to increase in the number of up-country bullocks sold. The new Mela established at Guaraderhât in Sub-division Tufangunj brought in a revenue of Rs. 170 and the jama for the Gadadhar Fair was Rs. 201.

76. *Grazing tolls.*—The Naib Ahilkar of Tufangunj realised Rs. 1,773-2 against 1,593-4 on account of tolls on buffaloes grazing on khas lands in his Sub-division.

77. *Cooch Behar Town.*—In section II of this report, I have already dealt with the work done in connection with the re-settlement of the town. The operations have been completed and the new settlement has come into force with effect from the beginning of the current year. Together with an arrear demand of Rs. 2,044, the total demand for the town of Cooch Behar during the year of report amounted to Rs. 18,787 against Rs. 19,111 of the previous year, shewing a decrease of Rs. 324, which was chiefly due to decrease in the arrear demand. Inclusive of an excess payment of Re. 1, Rs. 16,350 was collected and Rs. 71 written off. The balance at the close of the year, as shewn in the Tauji, amounted to Rs. 2,367. The greater portion of it was, however, only a paper balance, which was not really due. There were several holdings which had been taken up, but the Jamas for which had not been struck out; the result was that the revenue for these holdings continued to be shewn in the Tauji. The whole matter has been cleared up in the course of the new settlement and irrecoverable balances will be struck out under sanction.

78. *Flood.*—The year under report was marked by one of the greatest visitations, namely, the flood. Though in particular places it was not so high as some previous floods, the damage and suffering caused by it were greater than those done by any other flood within the memory of the present generation. It resembled in some respects the flood of 1878 which also was heavy. There was a heavy downpour during May, June and July, the quantity registered at the Sudder Station being over 100 inches, of which more than 44 inches fell in July alone. This was followed by about 13 inches of rain during the first three days of August accompanied by a heavy downpour in the hills. The result was that all the rivers and water-channels, which had already become full, simultaneously rose on the 3rd and 4th August and overflooded the country around. The flood was, however, the highest on the Torsa; the country drained by it suffered the most. The greatest damage was done to the tract lying between the Torsa in the east and the Dolong on the west, and comprising 28 Taluks in Sub-division Mathabhanga with an area of 61,512 Bighas. The two large Railway bridges in Taluk Putimari were completely washed away; there were other breaches on the line; all our roads suffered more or less; some large bridges on these roads were destroyed. Trains

could not run on any part of our Railway from the 5th to the 8th August and 1st and 2nd class passengers could be trollied over from the 9th. The Calcutta Mail could not come to Cooch Behar, nor could the Down Mail be sent from the 4th to the 6th. Even telegraphic communication was stopped for 24 hours on the 6th. During the time the flood lasted, the suffering of men and beast in the affected tracts was very great. In many places the houses were completely under water; *Machans*, or raised bamboo platforms, within the huts often proved very useful. Many people had to move with their families to high embankments. Three losses of human life were reported. In the average about 4 annas of the Bitri paddy was destroyed and the Haimanti rice too suffered. Your Highness in Council was pleased to sanction the grant of Tuccavi loans aggregating Rs. 6,000 and gratuitous relief amounting to Rs. 1,500, to people living in the 28 Taluks of Mathabhanga referred to above. This proved a great boon. Prices of food-grains rose unusually high after the flood, the price of common rice going up to Rs. 8. As I have stated in another portion of the report, there was great distress amongst the people, particularly those belonging to the labouring class.

The flood appears to have caused some change in the course of the Torsa. The channel near the town has now got more life and the water in the one passing by Rashidanga and Dinhata has not been so deep as before. But in the case of this erratic river it is difficult to say what will happen in another year.

79. *Experimental Cultivation of Cotton.*—The cultivation was continued during the year under report. About 7 Bighas of land was selected for the purpose in the town of Cooch Behar and about a Bigha in the Sub-divisional town of Mathabhanga. Tree cotton seeds from Mourbhunj, and seeds of the Dharwar-American, Broach and Naosari varieties were sown. The Naib Ahilkar of Mathabhanga also obtained some Egyptian seeds. It is premature yet to pronounce any opinion as regards the adaptibility of the soil of Cooch Behar to any one of the different varieties of seeds mentioned above. Both the Dharwar-American and the tree cotton varieties grown in the Cooch Behar farm were found to yield cotton white and silky in appearance with pretty long staple. The specimens were shewn to the late Mr. N. G. Mukerjee of the Bengal Agriculture Department, who thought them to be good and particularly admired the tree cotton on account of its long staple. The tree cotton did not do well at Mathabhanga. The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 493-3-11. I have taken steps to have a small quantity of land in the Sub-divisional town of Mekliguñj also cultivated.

I have the honor to be,

YOUR HIGHNESS'

Most obedient and humble servant,

CALICA DOSS DUTT,

Dewan of the Cooch Behar State.

APPENDIX.

REVENUE STATEMENT No. I.—*Statement of Demands, Collections and Balances of Land Revenue (Mál) for the year 1906-1907.*

Name of Mehal.	DEMANDS.			COLLECTIONS.			REMISSIONS.			BALANCES.			PAID IN EXCESS.		
	Present year	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Estates permanently settled or Mokarari Mehals...	7,347 10 2	0 1 0	7,347 11 2	7,405 8 10	0 1 0	7,405 9 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57 14 8	.....	57 14 8
Estates not permanently settled ..	11,62,686 12 3	14,790 0 2	11,77,476 12 5	11,52,818 1 2	7,888 13 8	11,60,706 14 10	1,678 13 5	1,548 10 4	3,227 7 9	12,540 2 8	5,352 8 2	17,892 10 10	4,350 5 0	.....	4,350 5 0
TOTAL ...	11,70,034 6 5	14,790 1 2	11,84,824 7 7	11,60,223 10 0	7,888 14 8	11,68,112 8 8	1,678 13 5	1,548 10 4	3,227 7 9	12,540 2 8	5,352 8 2	17,892 10 10	4,408 3 8	.....	4,408 3 8
Syrat Mehals ...	93,181 13 0	6,524 11 0	99,706 8 0	83,492 14 3	4,602 5 0	88,095 3 3	1,205 6 0	1,454 12 0	2,660 2 0	8,561 11 3	467 10 0	9,029 5 3	78 2 6	.....	78 2 6
GRAND TOTAL ...	12,63,216 3 5 (a.)	21,314 12 2 (b.)	12,84,530 15 7	12,43,716 8 3	12,491 3 8	12,56,207 11 11 (c.)	2,884 3 5	3,003 6 4	5,887 9 9 (d.)	21,101 13 11	5,820 2 2	26,922 0 1	4,486 6 2	.....	4,486 6 2

EXPLANATIONS:

(a.)—The current demand for the year is Rs. 12,63,216-3-5 against Rs. 12,54,665-3-2 of the previous year. The gross increase amounts to Rs. 13,091-6-5 and the decrease to Rs. 4,450-6-2. There is thus a net increase of Rs. 8,551-0-3. Details are given below :—

INCREASE.

	Rs. A. P.
Increase due to re-settlement of time-expired jotes	310 3 3
Ditto due to settlement of Khas and relinquished jotes and other Khas lands	3,981 14 4
Ditto due to re-settlement of Syrat Mehals at increased jummas	8,272 2 9
Ditto due to assessment at full rates of jotes held before at half rates	33 7 5
Ditto due to re-settlement of Bunder lands	398 10 8
Total	13,001 6 5

(b.)—Total balance shewn at the close of the previous year 19,279 0 9
Arrears brought forward in this statement 21,314 12 2
Net increase due to settlements with restrospective effect 1,935 11 5

(c.)—The total collections include excess payments, which form no part of the demand. These payments should, therefore, be deducted in order to strike out the balance correctly

(d.) *Vide* Council Office No. 546 dated the 22nd July 1907.

DECREASE.

	Rs. A. P.
Decrease due to relinquishment of jotes	639 13 10
Ditto to reduction of jumma for diversion, taking up of lands for public purposes and for other reasons as explained in the statement of reductions and remissions	1,602 8 11
Ditto to jotes being made Khas under Section 19 of the Revenue Sale Act	189 3 5
Ditto to re-settlement of Syrat Mehals at reduced jummas	2,018 12 0
TOTAL ...	4,450 6 2

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REVENUE STATEMENT No. II.—*Statement of Demands, Collections and Balances of Land Revenue (Debutter) for the year 1906-1907.*

NAME OF MEHAL.	DEMANDS.			COLLECTIONS.			REMISSIONS.			BALANCES.			PAID IN EXCESS.		
	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.	Present year.	Previous year.	TOTAL.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Estates permanently settled or Mokarari Mehals.	36 9 4	.....	36 9 4	36 9 4	....	36 9 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Estates not permanently settled	1,07,225 4 7	407 7 11	1,07,632 12 6	1,05,747 5 8	292 5 2	1,06,039 10 10	20 13 3	38 15 10	59 13 1	1,566 12 11	76 2 11	1,642 15 10	109 11 3	.....	109 11 3
TOTAL ..	1,07,261 13 11	407 7 11	1,07,669 5 10	1,05,783 15 0	292 5 2	1,06,076 4 2	20 13 3	38 15 10	59 13 1	1,566 12 11	76 2 11	1,642 15 10	109 11 3	.....	109 11 3
Syrat Mehals	4,019 0 0	387 8 0	4,406 8 0	3,469 10 0	387 8 0	3,857 2 0	.....	.....	.....	549 6 0	.....	549 6 0	.....	.....	.....
GRAND TOTAL ..	(a) 1,11,280 13 11	(b) 794 15 11	1,12,075 13 10	1,09,253 9 0	679 13 2	(c) 1,09,933 6 2	20 13 3	38 15 10	(d) 59 13 1	2,116 2 11	76 2 11	2,192 5 10	109 11 3	.....	109 11 3

EXPLANATIONS:

(a.)—The current demand for the year is Rs. 1,11,280-13-11 against Rs. 1,10,825-7-11 of the previous year. The gross increase amounts to Rs. 545-4-4 and the decrease to Rs. 89-14-4. The net increase is thus Rs. 455-6-0. Details are given below:—

INCREASE.

	Rs. A. P.
Increase due to settlement of Khas and relinquished jotes	199 3 5
Ditto due to re-settlement of Bunder lands	13 0 11
Ditto due to re-settlement of Syrat Mehals at increase jummas	333 0 0
Total ..	545 4 4

(b.)—Total balance shewn at the close of the previous year 733 1 1

Arrears brought forward in this statement 794 15 11

Net increase due to settlements with retrospective effect 61 14 10

(c.)—The total collections include excess payments, which form no part of the demand. These payments should, therefore, be deducted in order to strike out the balance correctly.

(d.)—Vide Council Office No 846 of the 22nd July 1907.

DECREASE.

	Rs. A. P.
Decrease due to relinquishment of jotes	38 0 5
Ditto due to re-settlement of lands before included in Bunders	4 3 5
Ditto due to re-settlement of Syrat Mehals at reduced jummas	16 0 0
Ditto due to reduction of jumma fro diluvion and other reasons as stated in the settlement of reductions and remissions. ...	31 10 6
Total	89 14 4

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REVENUE STATEMENT No. III.—*Statement of Demands, Collections, Remissions and Balances of Excise Revenue for the year* **1906-1907.**

EXCISEABLE ARTICLES.	DEMANDS.			COLLECTIONS.			Remissions.	BALANCES.		
	Current.	Arrear.	Total.	Current.	Arrear.	Total.		Current.	Arrear.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Tax on Out-still shops of country spirit	5,1028 0 0	.....	51,028 0 0	51,028 0 0	.....	51,028 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
License-fees of imported liquor shops ...	480 0 0	.....	480 0 0	480 0 0	.....	480 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Duty on Ganja	24,886 2 0	.....	24,886 2 0	24,886 2 0	.....	24,886 2 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
License-fees of Ganja shops	20,616 0 0	151 8 0	20,767 8 0	20,616 0 0	20 0 0	20,636 0 0	106 0 0	.....	25 8 0	25 8 0
Ditto of Opium shops	3,348 0 0	1 0 0	3,349 0 0	3,348 0 0	.....	3,348 0 0	1 0 0	.....	.....	.....
Duty on Opium	12,183 0 0	.....	12,183 0 0	12,183 0 0	.....	12,183 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Duty on imported spirit	591 3 0	.....	591 3 0	591 3 0	.....	591 3 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miscellaneous collections	163 11 6	.....	163 11 6	163 11 6	.....	163 11 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL ...	1,13,296 0 6	152 8 0	1,13,448 8 6	1,13,296 0 6	20 0 0	1,13,316 0 6	107 0 0	.....	25 8 0	25 8 0

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[III]

Statement shewing the collection of Stamp Revenue for the year 1906-07.

Name of Sub-division.	JUDICIAL.		DOCUMENTARY.		COURT FEE.		COPYING FEE.	MISCELLANEOUS.		Total.	Commission to Vendors.	Net amount.	CARTRIDGE PAPER.			ADHESIVE STAMPS.			Grand total of gross amount.	Grand total of net amount.
	With commission.	Without commission.	With commission.	Without commission.	With commission.	Without commission.	With commission.	Duty on unstamped paper.	Fines & penalties.				With commission.	Commission to vendors.	Net amount.	With commission.	Commission to vendors.	Net amount.		
	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Sudder ...	30,680 0	4,549 0	11,623 8	771 0	9,984 0	....	1,413 0 0	63 0	110 1 6	59,193 9 6	1,244 5 9	57,949 3 9	386 0 0	22 14 0	343 2 0	1,470 0 0	45 15 0	1,424 1 0	61,029 9 6	59,716 6 9
Dinhata ..	14,769 8	30 0	9,908 12	....	7,026 8	....	587 8 0	..	....	32,322 4 0	739 13 0	31,582 7 0	200 0 0	12 8 0	187 8 0	868 4 0	27 2 0	841 2 0	33,390 8 0	32,611 1 0
Mathabhanga ...	19,748 8	240 0	9,853 8	....	8,365 8	....	777 8 0	0 8	5 0 0	38,990 8 0	873 4 0	38,117 4 0	220 8 0	13 12 6	206 11 6	819 0 0	25 9 6	793 6 6	40,030 0 0	39,117 6 0
Mekliganj ..	11,294 0	531 0	6,189 0	40 0	4,128 0	10 0	373 8 0	10 2	0 8 0	22,576 2 0	473 15 0	22,102 3 0	120 8 0	7 8 6	112 15 6	795 0 0	24 13 6	770 2 6	23,491 10 0	22,985 5 0
Toofanganj ..	5,572 8	6 0	3,963 8	.....	2,579 8	....	158 8 0	..	....	12,281 0 0	288 2 6	11,992 13 6	55 0 0	3 7 0	51 9 0	364 0 0	11 6 0	352 10 0	12,700 0 0	12,397 0 6
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BABU PRIYANATH DATTA, M.A., B.L.,

Civil and Sessions Judge, Cooch Behar.

To

THE PRESIDENT, STATE COUNCIL,

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Dated, Cooch Behar, the 16th July 1907.

YOUR HIGHNESS,

I HAVE the honour to submit the Annual Report on the Administration of Civil Justice in the State of Cooch Behar for the year 1906-07 to which are annexed the annual statements No. I to XI.

Charge.

2. I was in charge of the office of Civil and Sessions Judge throughout the year, except from the 21st of May to the 19th of June 1906, when I was away on privilege leave. During my absence, the Assistant Civil Judge and the Fouzdari Ahilkar remained in charge of the current duties of the Civil and the Sessions Department respectively.

SUB-DIVISIONS.	Names of Officers.	Terms of employment.
Sudder ...	Babu Raj Krishna Das, L.C.E., Assistant Civil Judge.	From the 1st of April to the 14th of September 1906; from the 27th of October 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Do. ...	Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi, Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st to the 6th of April 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterji, M.A., B.L., Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahilkar.	From the 7th of April 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Do. ...	Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterji, M.A., B.L., Sudder Rent Suit Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st to the 6th of April 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, M.A., B.L., Sudder Rent Suit Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 10th of April to the 20th of September 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Rajani Kanta Bhaumick, M.A., B.L., Additional Sudder Rent Suit Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st of April to the 11th of June 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Additional Sudder Rent Suit Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 12th of June 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Toofangunj...	Babu Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, M.A., B.L., Offg. Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st to the 9th of April 1906 and from the 21st of September 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Do. ...	Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi, Naib Ahilkar.	From the 10th of April to the 20th of September 1906.
Dinhata ...	Babu Gopal Chandra Chatterji, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st of April to the 23rd of June 1906 and from the 4th of July 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Do. ...	Babu Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 5th of May to the 2nd of June 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Uma Nath Datta, B.L., Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 23rd of June to the 5th of July 1906 and from the 23rd of August 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Mathabhanga	Babu Ashutosh Ghosh, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st of April 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Do. ...	Babu Jatindra Mohan Sen Gupta B.L., Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st of April to the 4th of May 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Uma Nath Datta, B.L, Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 9th of July to the 20th of August 1906.
Do. ...	Babu Bama Charan Neogi, B.L., Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	From the 21st of August 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.
Mekligunj ...	Babu Hari Nath Basu, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	From the 1st of April 1906 to the 31st of March 1907.

Institution of original suits.

8. The original suits instituted during the last four years are shown below :—

YEARS.	Civil suits.	Rent suits.	Small Cause Court suits up to Rs. 50 and Rs. 20.	Total.
1903-04	1,406	3,574	1,251	6,231
1904-05	1,476	4,244	1,296	7,016
1905-06	1,534	3,881	1,628	7,043
1906-07	1,689	3,269	1,617	6,575

It will be observed from the above that the number of institutions during the year under report was 6,575 against 7,043 of the previous year, showing a decrease of 468 suits. Civil suits increased by 144 and rent suits decreased by 612. The net decrease was due to high prices, specially of jute.

Details of increase and decrease in the institutions.

4. The table given below shows the increase and decrease in the institutions in the several Civil and Rent Courts of the State :—

COURTS.	CIVIL SUITS.		RENT SUITS.	
	Increase.	Decrease.	Increase.	Decrease.
Civil Judge	7	.....	.....	1
Assistant Civil Judge	106	.....	.....	162
Sudder Rent Suit Officers	.....	.....	1	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	2	.....	.....	71
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	.....	18	.....	159
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	4	.....	5	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	70	.....	.....	158
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	.....	.....	.....	2
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	.....	27	.....	65
Total ...	189	45	6	618

Civil suits increased in the Courts of the Civil Judge, the Assistant Civil Judge, the Naib Ahilkars of Toofangunj and Mathabhanga and the Sub-Naib Ahilkar of Dinhata by 7, 106, 2, 70 and 4 respectively, and decreased in the Courts of the Naib Ahilkars of Dinhata and Mekligunj by 18 and 27 respectively.

Rent suits increased in the Courts of the Sudder Rent Suit Officers and the Sub-Naib Ahilkar of Dinhata by 1 and 5 respectively, and decreased in the Courts of the Civil Judge and Assistant Civil Judge, the Naib Ahilkars of Toofangunj, Dinhata, Mathabhanga and Mekligunj, and the Sub-Naib Ahilkar of Mathabhanga by 1, 162, 71, 159, 158, 65 and 2 respectively.

Classification of suits.

5. Statement No. 2 shows that out of a total of 6,575 institutions, 3,267 were rent suits, 2,934 were suits on bonds and other obligations, 364 for land and other immoveable properties and 10 relating to matrimonial rights.

Execution of decrees.

6. The number of applications for execution of decrees during the last four years is shown in the table given below :—

YEARS.	Civil.	Rent.	Small Cause Court.	Total.
1903-1904	1,490	1,413	607	3,510
1904-1905	1,427	1,444	592	3,463
1905-1906	1,416	1,678	716	3,810
1906-1907	1,333	1,436	635	3,404

The number of applications filed during the year was 3,404 against 3,810 of the previous year, showing a decrease of 406 applications

Miscellaneous cases.

7. The number of Miscellaneous cases instituted during the last two years is shown below :—

Years.	Judicial.	Non-Judicial.
1905-1906	469	27
1906-1907	464	23

Applications for certificates.

8. The number of applications for certificates of guardianship under Act VI of 1897 was 50 against 47 of the previous year, showing an increase of 3 applications, and the number of applications for certificates under Act V of 1898 was 60 against 55 of the previous year, showing an increase of 5 applications.

Rank of Courts according to institutions.

9. According to the number of original suits instituted, the Subordinate Courts rank thus :—

(1.)	Assistant Civil Judge	1,867
(2.)	Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	1,755
(3.)	Ditto Dinhata	1,454
(4.)	Ditto Mekligunj	878
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Disposal of suits.

10. The disposal of original suits during the last four years is shown in the statement given below :—

Years.	Civil.	Rent.	Small Cause Court.	Total.
1903-1904	1,546	3,907	1,287	6,740
1904-1905	1,466	4,261	1,264	6,991
1905-1906	1,533	3,845	1,624	7,002
1906-1907	1,598	3,287	1,610	6,495

The total number of original suits disposed of was 6,495 against 7,002 of the previous year, showing a decrease of 507 suits. The decrease was due to decrease in the institutions.

Rank of Courts according to disposals.

11. According to disposals, the Subordinate Courts rank thus :—

(1.)	Assistant Civil Judge	968
(2.)	Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	900
(3.)	Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	880
(4.)	Sudder Rent Suit Officers	855
(5.)	Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	798
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(7.)	Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	732
(8.)	Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	563

Contest.

12. The following table compares the number of contested original suits for the last four years:—

Years.	Civil.	Rent.	Small Cause Court.	Total.
1903-1904	392	491	196	1,079
1904-1905	356	467	192	1,015
1905-1906	379	454	280	1,113
1906-1907	451	399	254	1,104

The total number of contested suits decided was 1,104, being more than one-sixth of the entire number of disposals.

With regard to the disposal of contested suits, the Subordinate Courts rank thus:—

(1.)	Assistant Civil Judge	226
(2.)	Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	183
(3.)	Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	142
(4.)	Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	133
(5.)	Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	116
(6.)	Sub-Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata...	115
(7.)	Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	105
(8.)	Sudder Rent Suit Officers	71

Average duration of suits.

13. The table given below shows the average duration of suits in the Subordinate Courts:—

Names of Courts.	Civil Suits.		Rent Suits.		Small Cause Court Suits.	
	Contested.	Uncontested.	Contested.	Uncontested.	Contested.	Uncontested.
	m. d.	m. d.	m. d.	m. d.	m. d.	m. d.
Assistant Civil Judge	5 8	1 11	.....	1 19	1 2	0 10
Sudder Rent Suit Courts	.....	.....	8 12	2 4	.....	.....
Toofangunj Court	3 8	1 9	3 6	1 4	1 2	1 2
Dinhata Court	4 0	0 27	3 6	1 2	1 6	0 25
Mathabhanga Court	4 27	0 21	2 2	1 0	1 2	0 25
Mekligunj Court	2 19	0 29	1 22	0 27	0 24	0 18

The duration was longest in the Court of the Assistant Civil Judge and shortest in that of Mekligunj.

Value of suits.

14. Out of the total number of original suits disposed of, 1,747 or less than one-third were for claims not exceeding Rs. 20; 2,247 or more than one-third were for claims exceeding Rs. 20 but not exceeding Rs. 50; 1,374 or less than one-fourth were for claims exceeding Rs. 50 but not exceeding Rs. 100; 891 or less than one-seventh were for claims exceeding Rs. 100 but not exceeding Rs. 500; 37 were for claims exceeding Rs. 500 but not exceeding Rs. 1,000; 19 were for claims exceeding Rs. 1,000 but not exceeding Rs. 5,000. There was only one suit exceeding Rs. 10,000.

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Appeals.

21. The following table shows the total number of regular and miscellaneous appeals preferred to this Court during the last three years :—

1904-1905	...	...	...	...	... 154
1905-1906	...	...	...	...	... 150
1906-1907	...	...	...	...	... 157

The number of appeals filed during the year was 157 against 150 of the previous year, showing an increase of 7 appeals.

(*a*) The result of appeals for the last three years is given in the table below :—

YEARS.	Number of appeals for disposal.	Confirmed.	Reversed.	Modified.	Disposed of otherwise.	Pending.
1904-1905	206	101	28	16	21	40
1905-1906	190	89	32	13	15	41
1906-1907	198	92	30	9	8	59

There were 198 appeals for disposal including those which remained pending at the end of the year previous. Of these, 139 were disposed of and 59 remained pending.

(*b.*) The following table shows the result of appeals against the decrees of each of the Subordinate Judicial Officers :—

Names of Judicial officers.	Details of disposals.						Total disposed of.	Remarks.
	Confirmed.	Reversed.	Modified.	Remanded.	Dismissed on default.	Compromised.		
Babu Raj Krishna Das, L.C.E. ...	23	5	1	.....	.....	1	30	
„ Gopal Chandra Chatterjee, B.L.	13	2	3	.....	1	.....	19	
„ Ashutosh Ghosh, B.L. ...	11	4	.....	1	.....	.....	16	
„ Hari Nath Basu, B.L. ...	22	7	2	.....	2	.....	33	
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The following table shows the number of Copyists employed in each Court with their average monthly income :—

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			Rs. A. P.	
Sudder	3	1	15 8 6	
Toofangunj	1	(a)	6 12 2	(a) The work is carried on by the regular staff.
Dinhata	2	1	11 14 0	
Mathabhanga	2	1	12 14 0	
Mekligunj	2	(a)	7 11 0	

Records.

24. During the year under report, records of 12,891 cases were received in the Record-room as shown below :—

Courts.	Civil.	Rent.	Total.
Civil Judge's Court	360	70	430
Assistant Civil Judge's Court ...	766	171	937
Sudder Rent Suit Courts	.....	1,199	1,199
Toofangunj Court	803	699	1,502
Dinhata Courts	1,324	2,647	3,971
Mathabhanga ,, ...	833	1,290	2,123
Mekligunj Court	1,042	1,687	2,729
Total ...	5,128	7,763	12,891

The following records were destroyed during the year under report :—

Sudder ...
Civil Judge's Court.
B Files of Civil and Rent Original suits, Appeals, Miscellaneous and Execution cases from January to December 1896.
Assistant Civil Judge's Court.
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Records of Small Cause Court Original, Miscellaneous and Execution cases from January 1896 to December 1898.
Sudder Sub-Naib Ahilkar's Court.
B Files of Civil and Rent Original suits from January to December 1896.

Toofangunj ... B Files of Civil and Rent Original suits and Execution cases from January to December 1896.

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Naib Ahilkar's Court.
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Sub-Naib Ahilkar's Court.
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Mathabhanga...
Naib Ahilkar's Court.
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1905-1906	1,416	1,678	716	3,810
1906-1907	1,383	1,486	635	3,404

The number of applications filed during the year was 3,404 against 3,810 of the previous year, showing a decrease of 406 applications

Miscellaneous cases.

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(C.)

Return showing receipts and charges of Civil and Rent Courts in the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

Courts.	Receipts.						Charges.						
	Stamps. (1)	Process fees. (2)	Fines and forfeitures.	Ameen's fees.	Other receipts. (3)	Total.	Salary of Judicial officers.	Establishment.	Process serving.	Contingencies. (4)	Ameen's Establishment.	Unforeseen.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Civil Judge's Court ...	10,235 5 3	908 4 0	.....	21 0 0	1,595 9 6	12,760 2 9	9,600 0 0	5,901 1 2	5,729 2 10	3,084 2 1	864 0 0	449 6 5	25,627 12 6
Sudder Subordinate Courts	14,115 4 6	4,657 12 0	48 8 0	234 0 0	.....	19,055 8 6	5,280 0 0	2,777 15 6	.....	165 10 1	.....	.....	8,223 9 7
Toofanganj	4,698 0 9	1,448 0 0	.....	108 0 0	224 3 0	6,478 3 9	750 11 10	1,463 5 4	771 5 2	166 0 0	.....	.....	3,151 6 4
Dinhata	18,187 8 0	4,600 8 0	54 12 0	204 0 0	615 1 6	18,661 13 6	1,475 8 10	2,108 13 11	1,042 12 11	343 2 0	.....	.....	4,970 5 8
Mathabhanga	18,651 0 0	5,409 12 0	41 14 0	183 0 0	639 12 0	24,925 6 0	1,378 15 2	2,377 3 10	1,024 1 3	357 0 0	.....	.....	5,137 4 3
Mekliganj	9,245 15 0	2,905 12 0	88 7 4	54 0 0	446 2 11	12,740 5 5	800 0 0	1,585 14 10	719 0 0	350 8 6	.....	.....	3,455 7 4
Total ...	70,133 1 6	19,930 0 0	238 9 6	804 0 0	3,520 12 11	94,621 7 11	19,285 3 10	16,214 6 7	9,286 6 2	4,466 6 8	864 0 0	449 6 5	50,565 13 8

(1.) This includes searching fees and fees for information.
(2.) This includes sale fees.
(3.) This includes witnesses' diet money, copying-fees, pay of officers cited as witnesses, &c.
(4.) This includes remuneration to Copyists, travelling and Tiega Mohurers' pay etc.

		Rs. A. P.
Receipts	...	94,621 7 11
Charges	...	50,565 13 8
Balance	...	44,055 10 3

PRIYANATH DATTA,

Civil Judge.

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CIVIL STATEMENT No. 3.

Statement showing the result of the trial of original suits in the Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

COURTS.	Pending from the last year.	Instituted during the year.	Received by transfer.	Total for disposal.	Transferred to other Courts.	Plaint rejected or returned after registration thereof.	Dismissed for default.	Withdrawn.	Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed exparte.	Dismissed exparte.	Referred to arbitration.	CONTESTED.		Total disposed of.	Pending.	Over six months.	Over twelve months.	AVERAGE DURATION OF SUITS.	
														Judgment for plaintiff in whole or part.	Judgment for defendant.					Contested.	Uncontested.
																				y. m. d.	m. d.
CIVIL COURTS.																					
Civil Judge	15	24	...	39	...	...	1	...	...	...	6	...	...	11	2	20	19	5	7	1 3 2	2 12
Assistant Civil Judge	55	442	1	498	...	...	41	6	56	65	118	1	...	91	32	410	88	11	1	5 8	1 11
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	21	282	...	303	...	...	61	3	16	28	105	...	...	48	14	275	28	...	...	3 8	1 9
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	38	294	35	367	149	...	13	...	22	16	66	...	...	49	20	186	32	...	...	4 0	0 27
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	21	6	148	175	35	...	16	...	8	14	57	...	...	24	8	127	13	...	...		
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	39	454	16	509	203	...	25	...	24	44	72	...	...	47	26	238	68	...	...	4 27	0 21
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	18	6	203	227	15	...	21	...	15	13	84	...	...	20	10	163	49	2	...		
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	14	181	...	195	...	...	18	1	20	26	65	...	...	32	17	179	16	...	...	2 19	0 29
TOTAL ...	221	1,689	403	2,313	402	...	196	10	161	206	573	1	...	322	129	1,598	313	18	8	.....	.....
RENT COURTS.																					
Civil Judge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	...	.....	...
Assistant Civil Judge	1	867	61	929	922	...	...	...	3	2	2	...	...	.....	...	7	...	...	...	.....	1 19
Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahilkar	10	1	111	122	2	...	10	...	11	30	24	...	...	7	...	82	38	...	...	4 3	1 6
Ditto, Sub-Naib-Ahilkar	42	2	294	338	58	...	51	...	12	128	69	...	...	20	...	280	...	...	...	1 23	0 15
Do. Additional Sub-Naib Ahilkar ...	39	1	517	557	...	...	102	...	8	197	142	...	...	43	1	493	64	...	...	2 16	0 13
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	11	159	...	170	1	...	19	1	23	31	51	...	...	26	8	159	10	...	...	3 6	1 4
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	10	848	173	1,031	800	...	80	...	...	54	73	...	...	19	2	228	3	...	...		
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	131	11	800	942	173	...	206	...	2	174	203	3	...	74	9	671	98	...	...	3 6	1 12
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	12	828	26	866	640	...	9	...	23	89	38	...	...	30	6	195	31	...	...		
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	65	3	640	708	26	...	41	1	64	244	179	1	...	72	14	616	66	1	...	2 2	1 0
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	37	549	...	586	...	...	36	2	137	94	219	...	...	57	11	556	30	...	...	1 22	0 27
TOTAL ...	358	3,269	2,622	6,249	2,622	...	554	4	283	1,043	1,000	4	...	348	51	3,287	340	1	...	.....	...
SMALL CAUSE COURTS UP TO Rs. 20 AND Rs. 50																					
Assistant Civil Judge. ...	17	558	...	575	...	...	159	2	10	100	169	8	...	78	25	551	24	...	...	1 2	0 10
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	5	126	...	131	...	...	68	6	4	9	33	...	...	6	3	129	2	...	...	1 2	1 2
Ditto, Dinhata	28	312	...	340	...	...	95	...	27	38	113	2	...	34	9	318	22	...	...	1 6	0 24
Ditto, Mathabhanga	33	473	...	506	1	3	129	...	22	107	131	1	...	67	7	467	38	...	...	1 2	0 25
Ditto, Mekligunj	1	148	...	149	...	...	25	1	24	21	49	...	...	15	10	145	4	...	...	0 24	0 18
TOTAL ...	84	1,617	...	1,701	1	3	476	9	87	275	495	11	...	200	54	1,610	90	...	...	.....	...
GRAND TOTAL ...	663	6,575	3,025	10,263	3,025	3	1,226	23	531	1,524	2,068	16	...	870	234	6,495	743	19	8	.....	...

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CIVIL STATEMENT No. 5.

Statement showing the execution of decrees of Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

COURTS.	APPLICATIONS TO EXECUTE DECREES.				APPLICATIONS DISPOSED OF.			PENDING.				NATURE AND NUMBER OF CASES IN WHICH COERCIVE PROCESSES ISSUED.							APPLICATION FOR INSOLVENCY.	
												Against the person.		*Moveable property.*		*Immoveable property.*				
	Pending from the last year.	Filed.	Received by transfer.	Total.	Decree wholly or partially satisfied.	Struck off.	TOTAL.	Transferred.	More than six months.	More than twelve months.	Total pending.	Possession.	Arrest.	Imprisonment	Attached.	Sold.	Attached.	Sold.	Orders under Sections 895 & 908, Code of Civil Procedure.	Allowed.	Disallowed.
Civil Courts.																				
Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	9	21	.....	30	14	9	23	...	.....	1	7	6	11	1	7	.....	4	10	.....	.....	.....
Assistant Civil Judge, ditto	60	365	.....	425	159	211	370	...	5	.....	55	16	95	5	58	77	167	30	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	26	169	.....	195	49	129	178	...	.....	.....	17	10	27	.....	112	16	17	14	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	48	188	.....	236	92	103	195	...	4	.....	41	7	9	.....	60	14	46	23	.....	.....	.....
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	17	68	.....	85	31	46	77	...	.....	.....	8	1	5	.....	40	4	22	7	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	37	202	.....	239	88	122	210	...	.....	.....	29	12	19	2	120	21	63	21	.....	.....	.....
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto...	17	119	.....	136	48	66	114	...	.....	.....	22	6	8	2	46	13	35	6	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	31	201	.....	232	95	109	204	...	.....	.....	28	40	1	1	8	5	59	32	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	245	1,333	.....	1,578	576	795	1,371	...	9	1	207	93	175	11	451	150	413	143	.....	.....	.....
Rent Courts.																				
Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	1	...	1	.....	1	1	1	.....	1	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....
Assistant Civil Judge, ditto	3	34	7	44	9	31	40	...	.....	.....	4	3	2	.....	23	7	4	6	.....	.....	.....
Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahilkar ...	45	158	.....	203	29	153	182	...	.....	.....	21	10	30	.....	66	5	17	26	.....	.....	.....
Ditto Sub-Naib Ahilkar ...	16	131	.....	147	41	95	136	...	4	.....	11	27	21	1	101	7	17	17	.....	.....	.....
Additional ,, ditto ...	4	71	.....	75	15	47	62	...	.....	.....	13	28	9	.....	41	1	18	15	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	9	115	.....	124	25	82	107	7	.....	.....	10	13	9	.....	87	3	8	9	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	33	135	.....	168	47	106	153	...	2	.....	15	21	10	1	73	15	27	19	.....	.....	.....
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	26	226	.....	252	62	160	222	...	2	.....	30	55	21	1	129	7	26	10	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	26	147	.....	173	61	94	155	...	.....	.....	18	34	14	2	86	11	34	9	.....	.....	.....
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, ditto	19	269	.....	288	101	152	253	...	.....	.....	35	56	8	.....	157	8	79	4	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj...	13	148	.....	161	34	115	149	...	.....	.....	12	53	1	.....	12	8	18	5	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	194	1,436	7	1,637	424	1,036	1,460	7	9	.....	170	301	126	5	776	72	250	123	.....	.....	.....
Small Cause Courts up to Rs. 20 & 50.																				
Assistant Civil Judge, Cooch Behar ...	3	285	.....	288	69	206	275	...	.....	.....	23	.....	16	9	32	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	2	21	.....	23	10	10	20	...	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ditto, Dinhata	30	146	.....	176	29	140	169	...	.....	.....	7	.....	13	.....	105	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ditto, Mathabhanga	20	147	.....	167	39	113	152	...	.....	.....	15	30	.....	101	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ditto, Mekligunj	2	36	.....	38	16	19	35	...	.....	.....	3	.....	1	1	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	67	635	.....	702	163	488	651	...	.....	.....	51	30	30	111	160	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand total ...	506	3,404	7	3,917	1,163	2,319	3,482	7	18	1	428	429	331	127	1,387	253	663	266	.....	.....	.....

PRIYANATH DATTA,
Civil Judge.

CIVIL STATEMENT No. 6

Statement showing the institution and disposal of Miscellaneous cases of a Judicial nature in the Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907

COURTS.	Pending from last year.	Instituted.	Received by transfer or otherwise.	Total.	Disposed of			Transferred.	Pending.			Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
					Contested.	Uncontested.	Total.		More than six months.	More than 12 months.	Total pending.	Contested.	Uncontested.	
												M. D.	M. D.	
Civil Courts.														
Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	23	118	.....	141	24	94	118	.....	5	....	23	8 9	2 22	
Assistant Civil Judge, Cooch Behar ...	10	47	.....	57	26	21	47	.....	.....	.....	10	3 9	1 26	
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	1	14	.....	15	10	1	11	.....	.....	.....	4	2 3	1 0	
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata ...	1	30	.....	31	14	7	21	.....	.....	.....	10	2 18	1 7	
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, do.	3	11	.....	14	7	7	14	.....	.....	.....	.....			
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga ...	3	38	.....	41	17	20	37	.....	.....	.....	4	2 17	1 8	
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, do.	1	15	.....	16	6	6	12	.....	.....	.....	4			
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj ...	2	21	.....	23	16	7	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 28	0 21	
Total ...	44	294	.....	338	120	163	283	.....	5	.....	55	.....	.....	
Rent Courts.														
Civil Judge, Cooch Behar	.....	4	.....	4	3	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 24	4 7	
Assistant Civil Judge, Cooch Behar ...	.....	3	.....	3	2	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 0	1 0	
Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahilkar ...	2	6	.....	8	4	3	7	.....	.....	.....	1	1 7	0 27	
Ditto. Sub-Naib Ahilkar ...	1	8	.....	9	4	3	7	.....	.....	.....	2	2 3	1 21	
Ditto Additional Ditto. ...	1	7	.....	8	.....	6	6	.....	.. ..	.....	2	.....	0 28	
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	3	6	.....	9	2	2	4	.....	.....	.....	5	2 15	2 0	
Naib Ahilkar, Dinhata	3	12	.....	15	9	5	14	.....	... .	.....	1	3 28	1 22	
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, do.	5	16	.....	21	14	3	17	.....	....	.....	4			
Naib Ahilkar, Mathabhanga	7	19	8	34	13	19	32	.....	.....	.....	2	2 6	1 5	
Sub-Naib Ahilkar, do.	2	21	.....	23	5	5	10	8	.....	.....	5			
Naib Ahilkar, Mekligunj	1	19	.....	20	13	5	18	.....	.....	.....	2	1 16	1 2	
Total ...	25	121	8	154	69	53	122	8	.....	.....	24	.....	.....	
Small Cause Courts upto Rs. 20 *and Rs.* 50.														
Assistant Civil Judge, Cooch Behar ...	1	23	.....	24	10	13	23	.....	.....	... .	1	0 20	0 15	
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1 4	
Ditto, Dinhata	1	10	.....	11	4	5	9	.....	... .	.....	2	1 22	1 0	
Ditto, Mathabhanga... ...	3	10	.....	13	4	6	10	.....	.....	.....	3	2 23	0 24	
Ditto, Mekligunj	.....	4	.....	4	1	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	0 22	0 14	
TOTAL ...	5	49	.....	54	19	28	47	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	
GRAND TOTAL ...	74	464	8	546	208	244	452	8	5	.....	86	.....	.....	

PRIYANATH DATTA,
Civil Judge.

CIVIL STATEMENT No. 7.

Statement showing the work of the Civil Appellate Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

APPELLATE COURTS.	Pending from last year.	Instituted.	Received by transfer.	Total.	DISPOSED OF.								Pending	Over six months.	Over twelve months.	Objections under Section 561, of Act XIV of 1882.	Objections allowed.	REMARKS
					Transferred.	Dismissed for default.	Compromised.	Modified.	Reversed.	Confirmed.	Remanded.	Total disposed of.						
Civil Side	25	107	.....	132	.....	.....	1	6	20	65	1	93	39	.....	1	2	.....	
Ditto Miscellaneous Side ...	3	9	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	5	.....	8	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Total ...	28	116	.....	144	.....	.....	1	6	23	70	1	101	43	.....	1	2	.....	
Rent Side	12	38	.....	50	.....	2	.....	3	7	20	2	34	16	.....	.....	1	.....	
Ditto Miscellaneous ...	1	3	.....	4	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Total ...	13	41	.....	54	.....	4	.....	3	7	22	2	38	16	.....	.....	1	.....	
Grand Total ..	41	157	.....	198	.....	4	1	9	30	92	3	139	59	.....	1	3	.....	

PRIYANATH DATTA,

Civil Judge.

(VIIIA)

CIVIL STATEMENT No. 8.

Statement showing the nature of miscellaneous suits instituted and disposed of in the Civil and Rent Courts of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

NATURE OF CASE.	CIVIL COURTS.														RENT COURTS.																		SMALL CAUSE COURTS UP TO Rs. 50 AND 20.										REMARKS.
	Civil Judge.		Assistant Civil Judge.		Toofanganj.		Dinhata.		Mathabhanga.		Mekliganj.		Total.		Civil Judge.		Assistant Civil Judge		Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahlkar.		Sudder Rent Suit S. Naib Ahlkar.		Toofanganj.		Dinhata.		Mathabhanga.		Mekliganj.		Total.		Sudder.		Toofanganj.		Dinhata.		Mathabhanga.		Mekliganj.		Total.		
	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	Instituted.	Disposed of.	
1. Applications to receive and review suits.	1	3	17	16	7	6	13	16	25	26	3	3	74	73	3	3	...	..	5	6	7	6	5	2	20	24	33	36	17	15	90	92	20	20	2	1	3	7	6	6	3	3	36	37	
2. Claims and objections ..	1	1	19	22	7	5	21	18	20	17	10	11	78	74	...	...	3	3	..	..	4	5	1	1	5	5	6	5	2	3	21	22	3	3	...	...	2	2	4	4	1	1	10	10	
3. Resistance of Judicial process.	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	..	..	...	..	...	..	..	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	
4. Pauper applications ...	1	1	4	3	..	...	1	1	...	..	...	...	6	5	..	...	..	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	...	
5. Suits under Act VI of 1897	50	50	..	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	..	...	50	50	...	...	..	..	..	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6. Suits under Act V of 1898	60	56	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	60	56	...	...	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
7. Pretrials cases.. ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
8. Other miscellaneous suits..	5	7	7	6	..	..	6	3	5	6	3	3	26	25	1	1	...	..	1	1	4	2	..	1	3	2	1	1	..	..	10	8	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	
9. Miscellaneous proceedings of a non-judicial nature.	10	10	..	..	1	2	3	2	7	8	2	1	23	23	...	..	...	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	..	
TOTAL ...	128	128	47	47	15	13	44	37	60	57	23	24	317	306	4	4	3	3	6	7	15	13	6	4	28	31	40	42	19	18	121	122	23	23	2	1	10	9	10	10	4	4	49	47	

Judicial.

Total Instituted 464
Total Disposed of 452
Total Pending 86

Non-Judicial.

Total Instituted 23
Total Disposed of 23
Total Pending 2

PRIYANATH DATTA,
Civil Judge.

I. K.

CIVIL STATEMENT No. 9.

Statement showing the nature of properties held by Judicial and Ministerial officers in the Co Behar State during the year 1906-1907.

Names of Officers.	Nature of property held and its locality.	Held in the name of wife or relation	Description of State authority under which it is held.	Remarks.
Cooch Behar.				
Babu Priyanath Datta, Civil and Sessions Judge.	.....	.....	.....	Lives in a St house.
„ Siddessur Mullick, Sheristadar ...	House in the town ...	.....	.....	
„ Kokileswar Bhattacharji, Head-Clerk.	.....	.....	.....	
„ Baikuntha Chandra Neogi, Peshkar	House in the town ...	.....	.....	
„ Bishnu Charan Majumdar, Second Clerk.	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
„ Prangati Chakrabarti, Record-keeper	Ditto ...	.....	....	
„ Benimadhab Guha, Bakiat Mohurer	Ditto ..	.....	.....	
„ Ishan Chandra Guha, Execution Mohurer.	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
„ Sambhu Nath Das, Mohurer, Record-room.	House in Cooch Behar	.....	.....	
„ Profulla Kumar Banerji, Comparing Clerk.	.....	.....	....	
„ Mohim Chandra Mukerji, Nazir ...	House in the town ...	.....	.....	
Aftab Uddin Khandakar, Naib Nazir ...	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
Babu Raj Krishna Das, L.C.E., Assistant Civil Judge.	A dwelling house consisting of a jote and chukani in the town.	.....	.....	
„ Pramatha Nath Chatterji, M.A., B.L., Sudder Rent Suit Naib Ahilkar.	.....	.....	.....	
„ Jotindra Mohan Sen Gupta, B.L., Additional Sudder Rent Suit Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	A dwelling house consisting of a jote in the town.	In his own name	.....	
„ Anup Chandra Banerji, B.A., Sheristadar	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Guru Gobindo Saha, Peshkar ...	Jotes and chukanis in the Sudder.	Ditto ...	His Highness' Office No. 1412 dated 31st March 1902.	
„ Rajani Kanta Ghosh, Mohurer ...	A dwelling house consisting of a Durchukani in the Sudder	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Gopal Chandra Dey, Mohurer ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Durga Nath Barua, Mohurer ...	Some chukanis in the Sudder.	Ditto ...	....	
„ Pramatha Nath Rai, Mohurer ...	A dwelling house consisting of a chukani in the Sudder.	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Amrita Prosad Issor, Mohurer ...	Some jotes in the Sudder	Ditto ...	.....	
Toofangunj.				
Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi, Naib Ahilkar, (on furlough.)	1. A dwelling house in the town. 2. Brahmatters, jotes and chukanis in the State.	Jointly held with his brother.	.....	
Babu Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, M.A., B.L., Offg. Naib Ahilkar.	.....	.....		Ditto.
„ Tarani Kanta Chaudhuri, Head-clerk and Sheristadar.	A Basha in Toofangunj town.	In his own name.	.....	
„ Jogendra Nath Banerji, 2nd Clerk and Peshkar.	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Shashabindu Rai, 3rd Clerk ...	Ditto and one jote in the Sub-division.	Ditto ...	The jote was purchased before entering into the State service.	
„ Pran Nath Chakrabarti, Accountant.	A Basha in Toofangunj town.	Ditto ...	.....	
Munshi Ejahar Uddin, Accountant's Mohurer	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	
Babu Naba Kumar Brahma, Poddar ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Dwarka Nath Datta, Dewani Mohurer.	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	
„ Nil Kanta Rai, Rent Suit Mohurer.	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	.....	

Statement showing the nature of properties held by Judicial and Ministerial officers in the Cooch Behar State during the year 1906-1907.—(Concluded.)

Names of Officers.	Nature of property held and its locality.	Held in the name of wife or relation.	Description of State authority under which it is held.	Remarks.
Dinhata.				
Babu Gopal Chandra Chatterji, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	.....	.....	.....	Lives in a State house.
,, Uma Nath Datta, B.L., Offg. Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	.....	.....	.....	Ditto.
,, Dinesh Chandra Rai, Head-clerk and Sheristadar.	A Basha in Dinhata town.	.....	.....	
,, Jogesh Chandra Gangooli, 2nd Clerk and Peshkar.	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
Munshi Farash Uddin Sircar, 3rd Clerk.	Some jotes, chukanis and Dur-chukanis	.....	Ancestral.	
Babu Guru Gobindo Neogi, Sub-Naib Ahilkar's Bench Clerk.	A Basha in Dinhata town.	.....	.....	
Babu Bhabendra Narayan Basu, Accountant.	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
,, Amritananda Maitra, Accountant's Mohurer.	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
,, Sarat Chandra Das, Accountant's Mohurer.	.....	.....	.....	
,, Satish Chandra Das, Poddar ...	.....	.....	.....	
,, Jagat Chandra Bhatta, Dewani Mohurer.	A Basha in Dinhata town and another in Cooch Behar. Some jotes and chukanis.	.....	.....	
,, Kumud Bandhu Biswas, Act X Mohurer.	A Basha in Dinhata town.	.....	.....	
,, Chandra Kumar Adhikari, Additional Mohurer.	.....	.....	.....	
,, Shashi Bhusan Guha, Comparing Clerk.	A Basha in Dinhata town.	.....	.....	
Mathabhanga.				
Babu Ashutosh Ghosh, B.L., Naib Ahilkar	A Basha in the town of Cooch Behar.	.....	.....	Lives in a State house at Mathabhanga.
,, Bama Charan Neogi, B.L., Sub-Naib Ahilkar.	.....	.....	.....	Ditto.
,, Hara Chandra Rai, Head-clerk and Sheristadar.	Basha ...	In his own name	.....	
,, Pramatha Nath Majumdar, Peshkar.	Ditto ...	Ditto.	.....	
,, Prandatta Misra, Accountant ...	Ditto ...	Ditto.	.....	
,, Kashi Kissore Rai, Head Mohurer, Account Department.	Ditto ...	Ditto.	.....	
,, Biswa Nath Sircar, 2nd Mohurer, Account Department.	Ditto ...	Ditto.	.....	
,, Harish Chandra Guha, Dewani Mohurer.	Ditto ...	Ditto.	.....	
,, Loke Nath Das, Rent Suit Mohurer.	Ditto ...	Ditto.	.....	
,, Kunja Behari Sircar, Additional Mohurer.	.....	.....	.....	
,, Jadu Nath Guha, Comparing Clerk.	.....	.....	.....	
Mekligunj.				
Babu Hari Nath Basu, B.L., Naib Ahilkar.	.....	.....	.....	Lives in a State house.
,, Kedareswar Bhaumick, Head Clerk and Sheristadar.	A Basha at Mekligunj.	.....	.....	
,, Triguna Charan Chakrabarti, 2nd Clerk and Peshkar.	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
,, Suresh Chandra Rai, 3rd Clerk ...	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
,, Kanti Chandra Gupta, Accountant.	A Basha at Mekligunj.	.....	.....	
,, Durga Mohan Das, Mohurer, Account Department (on furlough.)	Ditto ...	.....	.....	
,, Mohendra Narayan Adhikari, Offg. Mohurer, Account Dept.	Do. and a jotes in the State.	.....	.....	
,, Bhabendra Narayan Das, Poddar ...	A Basha at Mekligunj.	.....	.....	
,, Kailash Chandra Chakrabarti, Dewani Mohurer.	Ditto. ...	.....	.....	
,, Madhu Sudan Chakrabarti, Rent Suit Mohurer (on furlough.)	Do. and some jotes &c. in the State.	.....	.....	
,, Rajendra Nath Adhikari, Offg. Rent Suit Mohurer.	A Basha at Mekligunj.	.....	.....	

CIVIL STATEMENT No. 10.

Statement showing the Receipts and Charges in respect of the Ameen employed in the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

NAME OF COURT.	Ameen's Fees.	Time employed.	Number of Ameens.	CHARGES.			Number of Ameen's peons.	AMEEN'S PEON'S FEES.			AMEEN'S PEON'S CHARGES.			REMARKS.
				Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
	Rs A. P.													
Civil Judge	21 0 0	7 days												
Assistant Civil Judge	177 0 0	59 ,,												
Sudder Rent Suit Officers	57 0 0	19 ,,												
Naib Ahilkar, Toofangunj (Civil) ...	45 0 0	15 ,,												
Ditto, Ditto (Rent) ...	63 0 0	21 ,,												
Ditto, Dinhata (Civil) ...	117 0 0	39 ,,												
Ditto, Do. (Rent) ...	87 0 0	29 ,,	1	690	...	...	2	.....	...	...	174	0	0	
Ditto, Mathabhanga (Civil) ...	93 0 0	31 ,,												
Ditto, Ditto (Rent) ...	90 0 0	30 ,,												
Ditto, Mekligunj (Civil) ...	9 0 0	3 ,,												
Ditto, Ditto (Rent) ...	45 0 0	15 ,,												
Total ...	804 0 0	268 days	1	690	...	...	2	.....	...	...	174	0	0	

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Civil Judge.

CIVIL STATEMENT No. 11.

Statement showing the receipts and charges in respect of the Process Service Establishment of the Cooch Behar State for the year 1906-1907.

NAME OF COURTS.	Number of processes issued.	Process-service fees.	Number of processes served.	Salary of Nazir and Process-servers.	Daily average of distance travelled by each peon.	REMARKS.
		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		
Civil Courts.						
Civil Judge's Court	1,248	776 4 0	1,091	5,729 2 10	5·3 miles	
Assistant Civil Judge's Court	2,508	2,041 4 0	2,495			
Toofangunj ditto	1,092	925 4 0	1,033	771 5 2	2·66 „	
Dinhata ditto	2,174	2,015 8 0	2,086	1,042 12 11	4 „	
Mathabhanga ditto	2,569	2,484 4 0	2,479	1,024 1 3	7·23 „	
Mekligunj ditto	1,285	1,398 8 0	1,254	719 0 0	4·82 „	
Rent Courts.						
Assistant Civil Judge's Court ...	1,850	1,357 8 0	1,774	....	.....	
Sudder Rent Suit ditto						
Toofangunj ditto	407	317 12 0	384	.....	.....	
Dinhata ditto	2,026	1,706 12 0	2,022	.....	.....	
Mathabhanga ditto	2,249	1,848 0 0	2,105	.....	.....	
Mekligunj ditto	1,101	1,179 12 0	1,082	....	.....	
Small Cause Courts.						
Assistant Civil Judge's Court	1,528	1,083 8 0	1,512	.....	.....	
Toofangunj ditto	209	165 0 0	195	....	.....	
Dinhata ditto	854	682 4 0	845	.....	.....	
Mathabhanga ditto	1,053	894 4 0	988	.....	.....	
Mekligunj ditto	266	237 8 0	266	.....	.....	
Total ..	22,419	19,113 4 0	21,611	9,286 6 2	.....	

PRIYANATH DATTA,

Civil Judge.

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FROM

BABU PRIYANATH DATTA. M.A, B.L.,

Registrar of Deeds, Cooch Behar.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE STATE COUNCIL,

COOCH BEHAR.

Dated, Cooch Behar, the 16th July 1907.

YOUR HIGHNESS,

I HAVE the honour to submit herewith the Annual Report of the Registration Department of the State for the year 1906-07. The Annual Returns, I to X, are hereto appended.

2. I was in charge of the office of Registrar of Deeds throughout the year, except from the 21st May to the 19th June 1906, when I was away on privilege leave and Babu Raj Krishna Das, L.C.E., Assistant Civil Judge, remained in charge.

3. The following table shews the changes in the Sub-Registry offices.

Sub-divisions.	Names of officers.	Terms of employment.
Sudder	Babu Pramatha Nath Chatterjee, M.A., B.L., Offg. Sudder Sub-Registrar.	From the 1st to the 8th April 1906.
,, ...	Rai Chaudhuri Mon Mohan Buxi, Sudder Sub-Registrar.	From the 9th April 1906 to the 31st March 1907.
Dinhata	Babu Gopal Chandra Chatterjee, B.L., Sub-Registrar.	From the 1st April 1906 to the 31st March 1907.
Mathabhanga ...	,, Ashutosh Ghosh, B.L., Sub-Registrar	Ditto.
Mekligunj ...	,, Hari Nath Basu, B.L., Sub-Registrar.	Ditto.
Toofangunj ...	,, Narasinha Chandra Ghosh, M.A., B.L., Offg. Sub-Registrar.	From the 1st to the 9th April 1906, and from the 21st September 1906 to the 31st March 1907.
,, ...	Rai Chaudhuri Satis Chandra Mustafi, Sub-Registrar.	From the 10th April to the 20th Sept. 1906.

4. Table No. 1, hereto appended, compares the number of deeds, both compulsory and optional, registered during the past and previous years. The number of deeds, the registration of which was compulsory, was 6,544 against 6,257, shewing an increase of 287 deeds, and that of which the registration was optional, was 4,504 against 4,723, shewing a decrease of 219 deeds.

5. The variations, as regards the different kinds of documents registered during the years 1905-03 and 1906-07, are shewn in Table II, hereto appended.

There was an increase of 229, 10 and 8 deeds under heads "Leases" "Mortgages" and "Gifts," respectively, and a decrease of 124, 53 and 2 deeds under heads "Sales," "Obligations for payment of money" and "Wills" respectively. The number of deeds registered under the remaining two heads, *viz.*,—"Acknowledgments of payments of consideration on account of immoveable property," and "Miscellaneous" was equal in both these years.

6. The increases and decreases were small and call for no explanation.

7. The number of deeds registered in the different offices, as shewn in Table No. III,, is given below :—

Offices.	No of Deeds.
Registrar's and Sudder Sub-Registrar's offices	... 3,168
Dinhata office	... 2,813
Mathabhanga office...	... 2,434
Mekliganj ditto	... 1,563
Toofanganj ditto	... 1,075
Total	... 11,048

8. The Registrar of Deeds registered 35 deeds in the year under report against 32 of the previous year, yielding fees amounting to Rs. 180-12 against Rs. 275.

9. There were 10 appeals, including 3 which remained pending at the close of the last year, against the orders of the Sub-Registrars. Of these, 5 were disposed of. In 2 cases registration was ordered and 3 cases were dismissed. 5 cases remained pending at the close of the year.

10. The total receipts under fees, fines and other heads during the year, amonted to Rs. 11,084-12 against Rs, 10,816-7, shewing an increase of Rs. 268-5.

11. The total disbursements of the Department during the year, amounted to Rs. 6,962-2-8 against Rs. 6,519-2-7, shewing an increase of Rs. 443-0-1. This increase was mainly due to the grant of grain compensation allowance and bonus made to the establishment.

12. The net gain to the State was Rs. 4,122-9-4, against Rs. 4,297-4-5, shewing a decrease of Rs. 174-11-1.

13. All the Sub-divisional Sub-Registry offices were inspected by me during the year under report and the inspection reports duly submitted to Your Highness in Council.

14. All the Sub-Registrars were remunerated, as usual, by fees at 25 per cent. on total collections, and they discharged their duties satisfactorily.

I have the honour to be,

Your Highness' most obedient servant,

PRIYANATH DATTA,

Registrar of Deeds, Cooch Behar.

I.—*Comparative table shewing the number of deeds, compulsory and optional.*

YEARS.	Compulsory.	Optional.	Total.	Amount of fees and fines realized on documents presented for registration.
				Rs. As. P.
1905-1906	6,257	4,723	10,980	10,015 4 0
1906-1907	6,544	4,504	11,048	10,308 12 0
Increase	287	.....	68	293 8 0
Decrease	.....	219	.....	.....

II.—*Comparative table shewing the number of deeds of the different classes registered in* 1905-1906 and 1906-1907.

YEARS.	Leases.	Mortgages.	Sales.	Gifts.	Acknowledgments of payment of consideration on account of immoveable property.	Obligations for payment of money.	Wills.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
1905-1906	4,254	175	3,233	83	1,485	594	24	1,132	10,980
1906-1907	4,483	185	3,109	91	1,485	541	22	1,132	11,048
Increase	229	10	...	8	...	...	...	...	68
Decrease ...	...	...	124	...	...	53	2	...	...

III.—*Table shewing the number of deeds registered in the different offices.*

OFFICES.	Leases.	Mortgages.	Sales.	Gifts.	Acknowledgments of payment of consideration on account of immoveable property.	Obligations for payment of money.	Wills.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
Registrar's and Sudder Sub-Registrar's offices ...	1,456	25	816	15	351	141	10	349	3,163
Dinhata	1,204	31	794	28	305	139	3	309	2,813
Mathabhanga	775	33	749	17	370	179	3	308	2,434
Mekligunj	415	82	488	19	398	57	3	101	1,563
Toofangunj	633	14	262	12	61	25	3	65	1,075
TOTAL ...	4,483	185	3,109	91	1,485	541	22	1,132	11,048

PRIYANATH DATTA,
Registrar of Deeds.

IV.—*Table shewing the amount of Receipts and Disbursements of the Registration Department for the year* **1906-1907.**

Names of Offices.	RECEIPTS.			DISBURSEMENTS.					Excess of Expenditures over Receipts.	Excess of Receipt over Expenditure.	Balance of the last two columns.
	Registration, copying and searching fees &c.	Fines &c.	Total.	Permanent and temporary establishments.	Current and extraordinary contingencies.	Commission to Sub-Registrars.	Refund of fees on documents refused registration.	Total.			
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Registrar's and Sudder Sub-Registrar's offices	2,783 7 0	100 12 0	2,884 3 0	1,461 6 11	663 8 3	676 15 3	.....	2,801 14 5	.....	82 4 7	.....
Dinhata ...	2,605 1 0	57 12 0	2,662 13 0	500 14 11	24 0 11	656 9 0	.....	1,181 8 10	.....	1,481 4 2	.....
Mathabhanga ...	2,725 8 0	24 8 0	2,750 0 0	427 3 3	57 9 3	671 3 0	.....	1,155 15 6	.....	1,594 0 6	.....
Mekligunj ...	1,898 2 0	65 12 0	1,963 14 0	539 9 9	49 1 9	478 1 6	.....	1,066 13 0	.....	897 1 0	.....
Toofangunj ...	813 2 0	10 12 0	823 14 0	530 6 11	20 14 6	204 9 6	.....	755 14 11	.....	67 15 1	.....
Total ...	10,825 4 0	259 8 0	11,084 12 0	3,459 9 9	815 2 8	2,687 6 3	.....	6,962 2 8	.....	4,122 9 4	.....

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V.—*Table shewing the nature of deeds registered and the amount of fees realised by the Registrar himself.*

Leases.		Mortgages.		Sales.		Gifts.		Acknowledgments of payment of consideration on account of immoveable property.		Obligations for payment of money.		Wills.		Miscellaneous.		Total.	
No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees.	No.	Fees
	Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.		Rs. A.
20	8 0	1	20 12	8	63 4	...	...	5	29 12	...	...	...	...	1	59 0	35	180 12

VI.—*Table shewing progress in the work of copying.*

OFFICES.	Deeds copied.	Deeds to be copied.	REMARKS.
Registrar's and Sudder Sub-Registrar's offices...	8,163	.....	
Dinhata	2,742	67	4 deeds were pending registration.
Mathabhanga	2,434	.....	
Mekligunj	1,562	.....	1 deed was pending registration.
Toofangunj	1,070	.....	5 deeds were pending registration.

VII.—*Abstract statement of deeds registered and of receipts and disbursements of the Registration Department for the year* 1906-1907.

OFFICES.	NUMBER OF DEEDS REGISTERED.		Value of property affected.	Amount of fees and fines realised.	Cost of Establishment.	Percentage on fees.	Refund of fees on documents refused.	Contingencies.
	Compulsory.	Optional.						
			Rs.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P
Registrar's & Sudder Sub-Registrar's Offices ...	1,803	1,360	2,92,828	2,884 3 0	1,461 6 11	676 15 3	.....	663 8 3
Dinhata	1,688	1,125	2,26,382	2,662 13 0	500 14 11	656 9 0	.....	24 0 11
Mathabhanga	1,243	1,191	3,55,824	2,750 0 0	427 8 3	671 8 0	.....	57 9 3
Mekligunj	1,068	495	3,15,759	1,963 14 0	539 9 9	478 1 6	.....	49 1 9
Toofangunj	742	333	98,913	823 14 0	530 6 11	204 9 6	....	20 14 6
	6,544	4,504	12,89,707	11,084 12 0	3,459 9 9	2,687 6 3	.....	815 2 3

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VIII.—*Comparative statement of deeds registered and of receipts and disbursements for the years* 1905-1906 *and* 1906-1907.

Years.	Number of Deeds registered.		Amount of fees and fines realized.	Cost of Establishment.	Percentage on fees.	Contingencies.	Refund of fees on documents refused.	Total Expenditures.	Balance received by the State.
	Compulsory.	Optional.							
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1905-1906 ...	6,257	4,723	10,816 7 0	3,221 3 9	2,599 15 6	697 15 4	.....	6,519 2 7	4,297 4 5
1906-1907 ...	6,544	4,504	11,084 12 0	3,459 9 9	2,687 6 3	815 2 8	.....	6,962 2 8	4,122 9 4
Increase ...	287	.....	268 5 0	238 6 0	87 6 9	117 3 4	.....	443 0 1	.....
Decrease ...	.....	219	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	174 11 1

IX.—*Table shewing the institution and disposal of appeals preferred against the decisions of the Sub-Registrars.*

OFFICES.	No. of Appeals pending at the end of the last year.	No. of Appeals instituted.	No. of petitions instituted.	Total.	Decreed.	Dismissed.	Total disposed of.	Pending.
Sudder	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dinhata	.....	...	3	3	1	1	2	1
Mathabharga ...	3	...	1	4	1	1	2	2
Mekligunj	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Toofangunj	.....	...	3	3	...	1	1	2
Total ...	3	...	7	10	2	3	5	5

X.—*Table shewing the ratio of the different classes of documents.*

Leases.	Mortgages.	Sales.	Gifts.	Acknowledgements of payment of consideration on account of immoveable property.	Obligations for payment of money.	Wills.	Miscellaneous.
·405	·016	·281	·008	·134	·048	·001	·102

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FROM

BABU AMRITA LAL SEN,

Accountant-General of the Cooch Behar State.

To

THE VICE-PRESIDENT, STATE COUNCIL,

COOCH BEHAR.

Dated, Cooch Behar, the 26th July 1907.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit herewith the Financial Report for the year 1906-07.

2. When the budget estimate for the year 1906-07 was framed with a revenue of Rs. 23,56,219 and an expenditure of Rs. 23,10,892, it was expected that the year would close with a surplus of Rs. 45,327. But the expenditure which was sanctioned during the year and after the budget had been passed was so heavy that not only did it absorb the whole of the surplus and the increase in revenue, but it presented a heavy deficit of Rs. 68,036, when the revised estimate was prepared. This estimate shews that the revenue of Rs. 23,95,072 was better than the original estimate by Rs. 38,853 and that the expenditure of Rs. 24,63,108 was greater than the original estimate by Rs. 1,52,216. The large expenditure which has caused a deficit budget was necessary in consequence of the purchase of Silver Spring at Darjeeling, the tobacco cultivation, the flood damages to the Railway lines and His Highness's additional expenses.

3. And while the revised estimate presented such a gloomy prospect of the year's ending, the actual account submitted herewith shews that with the improvement in revenue and savings in expenditure, the heavy deficit has been replaced by a surplus of Rs. 59,722. The statement No. 1 puts the revenue at Rs. 24,79,304 which is better than the original and the revised estimates by Rs. 1,23,085 and Rs. 84,132, respectively, and the expenditure at Rs. 24,19,482 which is greater than the original estimate by Rs. 1,08,590 but less than the revised estimate by Rs. 43,626, while the surplus is greater than the original estimate by Rs. 14,395.

REVENUE.

4. In the preceding paragraph I have stated that the actual revenue for the year 1906-07 amounted to Rs. 24,79,204 which compared with the revised estimate shewed an improvement of Rs. 84,132. The subjoined statement will shew that excepting the two heads "Law and Justice" and "Debutter," all other heads have shewn large increases.

		Revised Estimate.	Actual.	Difference.
I.	Household	24,834	26,732	1,898
II.	General Revenue	15,30,840	15,63,529	32,689
III.	Law and Justice	11,400	10,973	— 427
IV.	Miscellaneous	43,157	48,098	4,941
V.	Debutter	1,10,000	1,09,515	— 485
VI.	His Highness' Estates—			
	Darjeeling Estate	66,579	66,579	.....
	Chaklajat Estate	4,20,048	4,47,608	27,560
	Panga Estate	30,214	31,648	1,434
VII.	C. B. S. Railway	1,58,000	1,74,522	16,522

EXPENDITURE.

5. While the expenditure for the year under report amounting to Rs. 24,19,482 is less than the revised estimate by Rs. 43,626, it is nevertheless heavy because after meeting the expenditure on account of bonus and grain compensation allowance out of the provision for Reserve Fund, it exceeded the original budget by so much as Rs. 1,08,590. The cause of this excess though briefly stated in paragraph 3 when comparing the revised estimate with the original budget, is again mentioned here giving the amount of such excess in each case.

His Highness the Maharaja Bhup Bahadur had drawn Rs. 44,913 more than the amount allotted for his personal expenditure, the total expenditure on His Highness's account amounted to Rs. 4,59,368 out of which Rs. 61,455 was for the adjustment of the advances which His Highness had taken from the Cooch Behar Treasury in previous years. The Shooting Camp required Rs. 14,856 over and above the original grant of Rs. 16,000, the increase was partly due to the price of a Motor car having been charged to Shooting Camp budget, while Maharaj Kumar Raj Rajendra Narayan had Rs. 26,000 or Rs. 2,000 in excess of the grant originally sanctioned. The Profit and Loss account shewed an increase of Rs. 1,700 as the interest on certain loan had to be written off. The increasing sale of Jail manufactures necessitated the purchase of raw materials to a large extent for which Rs. 10,851 was expended against Rs. 7,000 originally provided. The expenditure under Public Works shewed an increase of Rs. 27,187. This would have been still large if the greater portion of the provision for electric light installation in the Palace had not lapsed owing to non-arrival of the new battery. The cause of the above increase was chiefly due to purchase of Silver Spring at Darjeeling at Rs. 34,000, to the improvement of Mr. Oakley's Bungalow at a cost of Rs. 2,543, to increased expenditure under repairs amounting to Rs. 2,540, to the removal of Dhobi's Hill at Colinton at Rs. 606 and to the payment of Rs. 1,107 for grain compensation allowance. The tobacco cultivation accounted for an increase of Rs. 10,050. The Darjeeling estate exceeded the original budget by Rs. 8,303 owing to heavy rep irs given to some of the houses, to the construction of a house on Castleton site, to the payment of subscription to Volunteers Fire Brigade, to brick burning operation and to purchase of furniture, while the Panga estate was required to pay Rs. 7,987 in excess of the original grant for Settlement operation. The Cooch Behar Railway had to spend Rs. 29,278 for flood damages.

6. The subjoined statement shews the fluctuations between the original figures, the revised and the actual figures. It is satisfactory to note that there have been actual savings under almost every head [illegible]

with the revised estimate with the exception of the Railway which has been dealt with under paragraph 11.

	Original. Rs.	Revised. Rs.	Actual. Rs.
I. Household Expenses—			
(a) His Highness's personal expenses ...	4,14,455	4,59,368	4,59,368
(b) Rajbari Garden	6,000	6,243	6,233
Total of His Highness's personal expenses ...	4,20,000	4,65,611	4,65,601
(c) Maintenance of Rajgans and education to Maharajkumars	1,27,480	1,32,340	1,31,791
(d) Philkhana and Stable	32,693	34,034	33,942
(e) Band	38,000	38,939	38,685
(f) Miscellaneous	2,70,842	2,85,411	2,84,830
II. Administration—			
1. Control	70,476	72,805	71,195
2. General	2,93,515	3,11,238	3,00,065
Public Works	1,61,000	2,02,566	1,88,187
State grant to the Communication Improvement Fund	52,186	52,186	51,949
3. Revenue	1,84,914	1,94,475	1,92,952
4. Law and Justice	56,726	59,516	57,497
5. Miscellaneous	72,170	73,351	68,453
III. Debutter	49,682	51,058	50,774
IV. His Highness's Estates—			
(a) Darjeeling Estates	36,000	44,303	44,303
(b) Chaklajat Estates	2,53,876	2,58,007	2,51,501
(c) Panga Estates	22,632	31,147	31,134
V. Cooch Behar State Railway	57,700	1,01,121	1,01,623
VI. Reserve Fund	1,06,000	50,000	50,000
Total ...	23,05,892	24,58,108	24,14,482
Cooch Behar State Railway Capital Expenditure ...	5,000	5,000	5,000
Total ...	23,10,892	24,63,108	24,19,482

7. *Public Works Department, Cooch Behar.*—The following statement will shew the original and the revised figures as also the actual expenditure of the department for the year under report. The expenditure, as compared with the revised estimate, has been less because certain provisions under "electric light installation in the Palace" and "Colinton" were not availed of; besides, there were slight savings in some works:—

	Original. Rs.	Revised. Rs.	Actual. Rs.
Original Works	78,494	79,796	67,503
Repairs	29,028	30,261	29,608
Tools and Plant	2,000	2,000	2,054
Establishment	28,378	28,378	27,695
Maintaining State ticca carts ...	6,500	6,500	6,465
Woodlands	10,500	10,600	10,448
Colinton and Prospect House ...	6,100	43,868	43,127
Grain Compensation Allowance ...	.....	1,163	1,107
Profit and Loss	.....	246	246
Total ...	1,61,000	2,02,812	1,88,253

The total expenditure as shewn in the above statement is Rs. 1,88,253. This when compared with the figures in the statement in paragraph 6 of this report will shew a difference of Rs. 66. The difference is explained here. If the uncashed cheque on 31st March 1907 amounting to Rs. 20 be deducted from Rs. 66, the difference of Rs. 46 representing the excess expenditure over the amount drawn from the Treasury, was met out of the money credited to suspense heads.

Some of the important original works are mentioned below with the amount charged to each of them :—

	Rs.
Additions to Tennis Court	1,819
Crushed food Godown in the Jail	1,259
Electric Light Installation in the Palace	16,185
Improving Mr. Oakley's Bungalow	2,543
Victoria College Building	37,597
Total ...	59,403

The Victoria College Building cost up to end of the year under report Rs. 57,786. The amount against the "Electric Light Installation in the Palace" included the cost for the engine shed Rs. 9,776 and for new wiring and cable Rs. 6,409.

8. *Darjeeling Estate.*—The receipts on account of rent &c., amounted to Rs. 66,579 and the expenditure was Rs. 44,303; the details of the latter are given below :—

	Rs,
Original Works	4,210
Electric Light	8,185
Establishment	2,123
Repairs &c.	8,790
Taxes	7,181
New furniture	6,828
Location rent	275
Contingencies	823
Unforeseen	1,923
Insurance Fund	3,000
Stock	965
Total ...	44,303

The expenditure on original works was for the construction of a house on Castleton site for which Rs. 2,014 was paid in part in the year under report and for certain works in Oak Lodge, Altamont Villa No. I, Chevremont I and II, Kenmure Point, Monteagle Villa I; for all these Rs. 2,196 was expended.

The cash balance of the Estate on 31st December 1906 amounted to Rs. 10,903 and the unadjusted advances on the same date was Rs. 728. The balance of unrealized rent was Rs. 2,882. During the year the estate remitted into the Cooch Behar Treasury Rs. 13,182 out of its income.

9. *Chaklajat Estates.*—The collections of this Estate amounted to Rs. 4,47,608 which was better than the revised estimate by Rs. 27,560. This satisfactory result was due to general agricultural prosperity of the year and the fair outturn of both paddy and jute.

The expenditure amounting to Rs. 2,51,501 was less than the revised estimate by Rs. 6,506. This decrease was chiefly due to less expenditure under "Law charges". For Public Works Rs. 9,423 was expended of which Rs. 4,442 was for the original works. Some of these works with their costs are mentioned below :—

	Rs,
Barkandazes shed	421
Corrugated Iron shed for Rungpur Kutchery, 2nd storey	3,590
Improvement of Patgram Hât ground	431

The following statement gives the actual expenditure as compared with the revised estimate :—

	Revised. Rs.	Actual. Rs.	Difference. Rs.
Revenue payable	1,69,379	1,69,378	1
Management	68,219	63,212	5,007
Miscellaneous	11,057	9,777	1,280
Debutter	9,352	9,134	218
Total ...	2,58,007	2,51,501	6,506

The accounts of the Estate were closed with a cash balance of Rs. 1,50,068 exclusive of Rs. 1,79,852 remitted to the Cooch Behar Treasury out of its income. This cash balance is better than the revised estimate by Rs 6,195.

10. *Panga Estate.*—The actual collections of this estate amounted to Rs. 31,648 against the revised estimate of Rs. 30,214 shewing an increase of Rs 1,434.

The expenditure of Rs. 31,134 was less than the revised estimate by Rs. 13. For the Panga Settlement operation Rs. 11,487 was spent and for the Public Works Rs 437.

The details of expenditure as compared with the revised estimate are given below :—

	Revised.	Actual.	Difference.
Revenue payable	12,255	12,457	+ 202
Management	17,103	17,092	− 11
Miscellaneous	1,789	1,585	− 204
Total ...	31,147	31,134	− 13

11. *Cooch Behar State Railway.*—When the budget was originally framed, it was estimated that the gross earnings of this Railway would be Rs 1,40,000; in the revised estimate this figure was raised to Rs. 1,58,000 in consequence of improvement in the Coaching and Goods traffic. The account shews that the actual amount realised was Rs. 1,74,522. This was better than the revised estimate by Rs. 16,522 and the original estimate by Rs 34,522. The expenditure was Rs 1,01,623 which was Rs. 502 in excess of the revised estimate. This increase would have been larger if there had not been good savings under "Flood damages" as against the provision of Rs. 35,000; the actual expenditure under that head was Rs. 29,278.

The net earnings of the Railway, being 4·89 per cent. of the amount charged to capital expenditure, stood at Rs. 72,899.

12. *Communication Improvement Fund.*—The fund received from the State as its grant Rs. 50,000, from Cess on Mokurari lands Rs. 1,463 and from tolls on bridges Rs. 486, in all Rs. 51,949. With this money, together with that it had at its credit on 1st April 1906, the following expenditure was met. The cash balance of the fund on 31st March 1907 stood at Rs. 170.

	Rs.
Original Works	27,160
Repairs	34,607
Contingencies	815
Inspection Bungalow Establishment ...	922
Drainage	700
Total ...	64,204

The important original work that was completed during the year was the permanent bridge over Shutanga at an estimated cost of Rs. 35,592 out of which Rs. 33,370 was paid up to the end of the year under report.

13. *Fund for His Highness's Children.*—The State grant to this fund was Rs. 1,60,000 against Rs 1,00,000 made in 1905-06. The increase of Rs. 60,000 was due to the part credit of the price of the Simla property to the above fund. The total amount invested in Government and other securities amounted to Rs. 5,27,600 on 31st March 1907. The cash balance of the fund on the same date stood at Rs. 300.

14. *Darjeeling Fire Insurance Fund.*—During the year under report, the Darjeeling Estate paid Rs. 3,000 towards the above fund. The total amount invested in Government securities on account of the above fund was Rs. 9,800, and the cash balance on 31st March 1907 stood at Rs. 115.

15. *Cooch Behar State Railway Capital outlay account.*—Rs. 5,000 was paid in 1906-07. The total amount paid up to end of March 1907 was

Rs. 14,89,285 of which Rs. 14,89,099 has been accounted for by the Manager and the balance is in his hand.

16. *Reserve Fund.*—The State grant towards this fund when the budget was originally framed was Rs. 1,06,000. But with a view to meeting the large expenditure on account of bonus and grain compensation allowance paid to certain class of employees of the State and His Highness' Zemindaries, it was decided to reduce the grant for the Reserve Fund instead of sanctioning any fresh grant for the purpose. Thus the original grant was reduced to Rs. 50,000, when the revised estimate was prepared. The total amount invested in Government securities on account of the above fund was Rs. 2,01,000 to end of 31st March 1907 and the cash balance on the same date was Rs. 40.

17. *Loan to local shopkeepers and others.*—Rs. 7,633 was recovered and Rs. 29,453 advanced during the year. The balance of the above account on the 31st March 1907 was Rs. 59,797.

18. *Chaklajat Estate Loan account.*—The amount advanced was Rs. 28,133 and that recovered was Rs. 1,200. Of the advance of Rs. 28,133, Rs. 22,633 was against the Raja of Panga which was transferred from the advance account and Rs. 5,500 against Babu Gobinda Chandra Ray.

19. *Pound Fund.*—The receipts and expenditure of this fund amounted to Rs. 10,327 and Rs. 6,293, respectively, and the cash balance on the 31st March 1907 was Rs. 8,324. Besides the cash balance, there is Rs. 15,000 invested in Government securities.

20. *Village Chaukidari Fund.*—The total amount of receipts and expenditure was Rs. 6,978 and Rs. 3,508, respectively, and the cash balance on the 31st March 1907 was Rs. 11,790. It may be noted here that besides the cash balance herein mentioned, there is a sum of Rs 20,000 invested in Government papers.

21. *Municipality.*—The following statement will shew the receipts and expenditure of the four Town Committees of the State during the year under report:—

Receipts.	Cooch Behar.	Dinhata.	Mathabhanga.	Haldibari.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Cash balance on 1st April 1906...	5,837	187	1,782	814
State grant	17,600	1,748	2,130	1,900
Other receipts	15,455	4,762	1,782	1,307
Total ...	38,892	6,697	5,694	4,021
Expenditure—				
Public Works	15,432	3,372	1,322	1,676
Other Expenditure	21,089	2,594	2,826	1,506
Total ..	36,521	5,966	4,148	3,182
Balance on 31st March 1907 ...	2,371	731	1,546	839

22. *Cash balance.*—When the revised estimate was framed, the year closed with a cash balance of Rs. 9,69,098 which was Rs 2,31,379 less than the closing balance in the original budget. This estimated reduction in the cash balance was caused by the heavy expenditure and by the investment of one lakh of rupees in Government papers But the actual cash balance amounting to Rs. 11,45,127 was better than the revised estimate by Rs. 1,76,029. The details of this balance, as compared with the revised estimate are given below, and it will be seen that the State balance alone exceeded the revised estimate by Rs 1,13,657. This unexpected difference could only be possible where revised estimates were not framed with due regard to the rules for framing such estimates.

	Revised estimate.	Actual.	Difference.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Cooch Behar State	5,93,991	7,07,648	+1,13,657
Chaklajat Estate	1,43,873	1,50,068	+ 6,195
Funds and Deposits	1,62,851	1,48,120	− 14,731
Government of Bengal	68,383	1,39,291	+ 70,908
Total ...	9,69,098	11,45,127	+1,76,029

23. I have in the foregoing paragraphs compared the actual figures with those in the revised budget. I now proceed to compare the actuals for 1906-07 with those for 1905-06.

REVENUE.

24. The subjoined comparative statement will shew the difference between the figures for the year under report and those for the previous year.

		Actual 1906-07.	Actual 1905-06.		Difference.
I.	Household	26,732	24,437	+	2,295
II.	General Revenue	15,63,529	15,60,467	+	3,062
III.	Law and Justice	10,973	11,361	—	388
IV.	Miscellaneous	48,098	40,799	+	7,299
V.	Debutter	1,09,515	1,11,412	—	1,897
VI.	His Highness the Maharaja's Estates	5,45,835	5,17,457	+	28,378
VII.	Cooch Behar State Railway ...	1,74,522	1,49,746	+	24,776
	Total ...	24,79,204	24,15,679	+	63,525

25. The total amount of revenue for 1906-07, as compared with that for 1905-06, shews an increase of Rs 63,525 as will be seen from the above statement. I now explain briefly the cause of the difference under each head of the above statement.

The increase under I—Household was due to large credit under "Interest on Children and Reserve Funds," while that under II—General Revenue was owing to unexpected improvement in the sale of stamps and to better collection under Excise. The decrease under III - Law and Justice was due to the falling off in the number of documents presented for registration and the increase under IV—Miscellaneous was chiefly owing to a large credit from sale of Jail manufactures, the Public Works Department and the Medical Department receipts having also contributed to this increase. Owing to damages done to crops in certain Taluks, the collections under V—Debuttar in 1906-07 fell short of the amount realized in 1905-06. The difference under VI—His Highness the Maharaja's Estates and VII—Cooch Behar State Railway has been explained in paragraphs 28 to 31.

EXPENDITURE.

26. The following comparative statement will shew the difference between the expenditure for 1906-07 and that for 1905-06. The total increase in 1906-07 over the figures for 1905-06 was Rs. 88,612.

	Actual 1906-07.	Actual 1905-06.	Difference.
I. Household	9,54,849	7,19,186	+ 2,35,663
II. Administration	9,30,298	8,77,684	+ 52,614
III. Debutter	50,774	48,827	+ 1,947
IV. His Highness the Maharaja's Estates	3,26,938	3,24,794	+ 2,144
V. Cooch Behar State Railway ...	1,01,623	62,012	+ 39,611
VI. Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000	.....
Total ...	24,14,482	20,82,503	+ 3,31,979
Railway Capital expenditure ...	5,000	.....	+ 5,000
Repayment of Railway Loan ...	.....	86,107	— 86,107
Repayment of Alliance Bank Loan ...	.....	1,62,260	— 1,62,260
Total ...	24,19,482	23,30,870	+ 88,612

27. From the above statement it will appear that in spite of the extraordinary expenditure under "Repayment of Railway Loan" and "Repayment of the Alliance Bank Loan" appearing in the accounts for 1905-06, the expenditure for 1906-07 has shewn an increase of Rs. 88,612 over that year. The cause of the difference is briefly stated below:—

The increase under I—Household was caused by the excess expenditure of Rs. 83,611 for His Highness' personal expenses, Rs. 19,146 for the Shooting Camp, Rs. 15,551 for the Band, the pay of the Band Master having been debited to the Band Establishment from the year 1906-07, and Rs. 56,044 for decorating and furnishing

Woodlands at the time of Their Royal Highness' visit; that under II—Administration was owing to large expenditure on Public Works; Tobacco cultivation, purchase of opium, printing papers for stamps and for bonus and compensation allowance. The excess under Debutter was due to the payment of bonus and grain compensation allowance. The difference under "His Highness the Maharajah's Estates" and the Cooch Behar State Railway has been explained in paragraphs 28 to 31.

28. *Darjeeling Estate.*—The rents &c., realized in 1906-07 amounted to Rs. 66,579. This was better than the amount credited in the accounts for 1905-06 by Rs. 17,655. The increase is mainly due to the fact that the receipts for 1905-06 did not represent the collection for the whole year, because the Estate was re-transferred in May 1905 and the collection of rents dated from that month. The expenditure was Rs. 44,303 against Rs. 45,283 in 1905-06, shewing a decrease of Rs. 980.

29. *Chaklajat Estate.*—The collections for the year under report were Rs 4,47,608 against Rs 4,37,342 for the previous year, shewing an increase of Rs 10,266. The increase was due to better outturn of paddy and jute and to the high price of the latter.

The expenditure was Rs 2,51,501 against Rs 2,49,439 in 1905-06, shewing an increase of Rs 2,062. This increase was owing chiefly to the payment of bonus and compensation allowance.

The cash balance on 31st March 1907 was Rs 1,50,068 against Rs 1,43,873 on the same date in March 1906, shewing an increase of Rs 6,195.

30. *Panga Estate.*—The collections of this Estate in 1906-07 amounted to Rs 31,648 against Rs 31,191 in 1905-06 or an increase of Rs 457.

The expenditure for the year under report was Rs 31,131 and that for the previous year was Rs. 30,072. The excess in the year 1906-07 was due to greater provision than last year under settlement and to payment for grain compensation allowance.

During the year Rs. 11,487 was finally charged to Panga Settlement and Rs. 4,456 placed in the advance account against the Raja of Panga.

31. *Cooch Behar State Railway.*—The gross earnings from this railway for the year under report amounted to Rs. 1,74,522 which exceeded those for 1905-06 by Rs. 24,776. But this improvement would not be noticeable when the net income for the two years had to be considered as it will be seen from the statement that the net income for 1905-06 was Rs 87,734 and that for 1906-07 was Rs. 72,899. This decrease was wholly due to the charges for Flood damages appearing in the accounts for the year under report.

The income of 1905-06 was 5·94 per cent. of the amount charged to Capital account, it has been reduced to 4·89 per cent. in the year under report on account of larger expenditure.

32. *Bonus and Grain compensation allowance.*—Rs. 33,404 was paid for the purpose during the year under report.

33. *Reserve Fund.*—Rs. 50,000 was the State grant for 1906-07 against the same amount in 1905-06.

34. *Railway Capital Expenditure.*—Rs. 5,000 was paid on this account in 1906-07, no payment was made in the year previous.

35. *Surplus.*—The surplus for 1906-07 was Rs. 59,722 against Rs. 84,809 in 1905-06 or a decrease of Rs. 25,087. This decrease was due to heavy expenditure in 1906-07.

36. *Cash Balance.*—The cash balance on 31st March 1907 amounted to Rs. 11,45,127 against Rs. 11,20,168 on the same date in 1906 or an increase

of Rs. 24,959. The details of the cash balance are given below for two years :—

			1905-06	1906-07	Difference.
Cooch Behar State ...	...	...	7,51,224	7,07,648	−43,576
Chaklajat Estates ...	...	...	1,43,873	1,50,068	+ 6,195
Deposits and Funds	...	...	1,56,688	1,48,120	− 8,568
Government of Bengal	...	...	68,383	1,39,291	+70,908
	Total	...	11,20,168	11,45,127	+24,959

Besides the balance of Rs. 7,07,648 on 31st March 1907 belonging exclusively to the State, there is a sum of one lakh of rupees in Government securities.

37. *Remarks upon the work of the Department.*—All my Assistants worked to my entire satisfaction during the year under report.

38. *Returns.*—The statement No. I shews the Revenue and expenditure, No. II Receipts and Disbursement, No. III the actual Ledger balances on the 31st March 1907, No. IV the actuals for 1905-06 and 1906-07; all these are appended hereto for reference.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

AMRITA LAL SEN,

Accountant-General, Cooch Behar State.

I.—Statement shewing the Revenue and Expenditure of the Cooch Behar State for the year ending 31st March 1907.

REVENUE.	Revised Estimate for 1906-07.	Actuals for 1906-07.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I.—Household	24,834	26,732	1,898	.....
II.—General Revenue—				
a. Land Revenue	12,59,140	12,68,219	9,079	.....
b. Stamps	1,50,000	1,70,642	20,642	.....
c. Excise	1,11,100	1,12,855	1,755	.....
d. Interest on Loans	2,100	3,181	1,081	.....
e. Sundries	8,500	8,641	141	.....
III.—Law and Justice—				
a. Civil & Sessions Court	400	462	62	.....
b. Registration	11,000	10,511	.....	489
IV.—Miscellaneous—				
a. Criminal Justice	7,565	7,240	.....	325
b. Jail	10,854	13,499	2,645	.....
c. Education, Science and Arts ...	10,400	10,691	291	.....
d. Public Works	11,546	11,514	.....	32
e. Sundries	2,792	5,154	2,362	.....
V.—Debutter	1,10,000	1,09,515	.....	485
VI.—His Highness' Estates—				
a. Darjeeling Estate	66,579	66,579	.....	.....
b. Chaklajat Estates	4,20,048	4,47,608	27,560	.....
c. Panga Estates	30,214	31,648	1,434	.....
VII.—Cooch Behar State Railway ...	1,58,000	1,74,522	16,522	.....
Total ...	23,95,072	24,79,204	84,132	.....
Deficit ...	68,036	.....	.....	68,036
Grand Total ...	24,63,108	24,79,204	16,096	...

EXPENDITURE.	Revised Estimate for 1906-07.	Actuals for 1906-07.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I—*Household Expenses.*				
a. His Highness' Personal expenses ...	4,59,368	4,59,368	.....	.....
b. Rajbari garden &c.	6,243	6,233	.....	10
Total strictly Personal expenses ...	4,65,611	4,65,601	.....	10
c. Maintenance of Rajgans and education of Maharajkumars.	1,32,340	1,31,791	.....	549
d. Philkhana and stables ...	34,034	33,942	.....	92
e. Band	38,939	38,685	.....	254
f. Miscellaneous	2,85,411	2,84,830	.....	581
Total Household expenses ...	9,56,335	9,54,849	.....	1,486
II.—*Administration—*				
1. Control	72,805	71,195	.....	1,610
2. General	5,65,990	5,40,201	.....	25,789
3. Revenue	1,94,475	1,92,952	.....	1,523
4. Law and Justice	59,516	57,497	.....	2,019
5. Miscellaneous	73,351	68,453	.....	4,898
III.—*Debutter*	51,058	50,774	.....	284
IV.—*His Highness' Estates—*				
a. Darjeeling Estates ...	44,303	44,303	.....	.....
b. Chaklajat Estates	2,58,007	2,51,501	.....	6,506
c. Panga Estates	31,147	31,134	.....	13
V.—*Cooch Behar State Railway* ...	1,01,121	1,01,623	502	.....
VI.—*Reserve Fund*	50,000	50,000	.....	.....
Total ...	24,58,108	24,14,482	.....	43,626
Railway Capital Expenditure ...	5,000	5,000	.....	.....
Total ...	24,63,108	24,19,482	.....	43,626
Surplus	.....	59,722	59,722	.....
Grand Total ...	24,63,108	24,79,204	16,096	.....

His Highness' Office, Audit Department.
The 26th July 1907.

AMRITA LAL SEN,
Accountant-General, Cooch Behar State.

II.—Statement shewing the Receipts and Disbursements of the Cooch Behar State for the year ending 31st March 1907.

RECEIPTS.	Revised Estimate for 1906-1907.	Actuals for 1906-1907.	DIFFERENCE. Increase.	DIFFERENCE. Decrease.
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Cash balance	11,20,168	11,20,168	.....	.....
State Revenue	23,95,072	24,79,204	84,132	.....
Government of Bengal	6,00,000	6,52,688	52,688	.....
Personal Accounts.				
Local Shop-keepers and others ...	6,000	7,633	1,633	.....
Chaklajat Estate Loan Account ...	2,200	1,200	.....	1,000
Capital Account.				
Cooch Behar State Ry. Capital Account	.....	.....	.....	.....
Local Funds.				
Reserve Fund	50,000	50,036	36	.....
Municipal Fund, Sudder	42,622	33,055	.....	9,567
Dinhata Town Committee	6,413	6,510	97	.....
Mathabhanga Town Committee ...	3,815	3,912	97	.....
Haldibari Town Committee	3,200	3,207	7	.....
Village Chaukidari Fund	6,624	6,978	954	.....
Pound Fund	8,820	10,327	1,507	.....
Communication Improvement Fund ...	62,186	62,434	248	.....
Fund for His Highness' children ...	1,60,013	1,60,315	302	.....
Temple Scholarship Fund	39	.....	.....	39
Vidyasagar Memorial Fund	52	.....	.....	52
Darjeeling Fire Insurance	3,000	3,112	112	.....
Contribution Works, P. W. D. ...	.....	19,890	19,890	.....
Deposits.				
Cooch Behar State Revenue deposit ...	40,000	37,984	.....	2,016
Chaklajat Estate „ „ ...	1,00,000	32,677	.....	67,323
Cooch Behar State General deposit ...	40,400	9,724	.....	30,676
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	.....	1,422	1,422	.....
Judicial deposits	40,700	19,194	.....	21,506
Advances Recoverable.				
Cooch Behar State Advances recoverable	1,73,555	2,16,472	42,917	.....
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	67,083	46,615	.....	20,468
Cooch Behar State Permanent Advance...	.....	150	150	.....
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	100	.....	.....	100
Bullion and Suspense Accounts.				
Bullion account	.....	.....	.....	.....
Suspense account	.....	361	361	.....
Remittance Account.				
Miscellaneous Cash Remittance ...	1,57,808	2,00,921	43,113	.....
Miscellaneous Accounts.				
Darjeeling Estate Cash Account ...	66,579	84,212	17,633	.....
Examiner of Accounts, E. B. S. Railway...	1,58,000	1,79,438	21,438	.....
Darjeeling Suspense Account ...	.....	23,500	23,500	.....
Total ...	53,13,849	54,73,339	1,59,490	.....

DISBURSEMENTS.	Revised Estimate for 1906-1907.	Actuals for 1906-1907.	DIFFERENCE. Increase.	DIFFERENCE. Decrease.
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
State Expenditure	24,58,108	24,14,482	.....	43,626
Government of Bengal	6,00,000	5,81,779	.....	18,221
Personal Accounts.				
Local Shop-keepers and others ...	29,452	29,453	1	.....
Chaklajat Estate Loan Account ...	32,583	28,133	.....	4,450
Capital Account.				
Cooch Behar State Ry. Capital Account	5,000	5,000	.....	.....
Local Funds.				
Reserve Fund	50,000	50,020	20	.....
Municipal Fund, Sudder	46,547	36,521	.....	10,026
Dinhata Town Committee	6,600	5,966	.....	634
Mathabhanga Town Committee ...	5,491	4,148	.....	1,343
Haldibari Town Committee	3,348	3,182	.....	166
Village Chaukidari Fund ...	4,384	3,508	.....	876
Pound Fund	6,310	6,293	.....	17
Communication Improvement Fund ...	64,242	64,261	19	.....
Fund for His Highness' children ...	1,60,013	1,60,088	75	.....
Temple Scholarship Fund	36	36	.....	.....
Vidyasagar Memorial Fund ...	50	.....	.....	50
Darjeeling Fire Insurance Fund ...	3,000	3,070	70	.....
Contribution Works, P. W. D.	.....	18,968	18,968	.....
Deposits.				
Cooch Behar State Revenue deposit ...	30,000	37,772	7,772	.....
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	1,00,000	31,375	.....	68,625
Cooch Behar State General deposit ...	40,400	34,102	.....	6,298
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	.....	749	749	.....
Judicial deposits	40,700	17,130	.....	23,570
Advances Recoverable.				
Cooch Behar State Advances recoverable	1,36,000	1,77,316	41,316	.....
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	40,000	30,255	.....	9,745
Cooch Behar State Permanent Advance	.....	500	500	.....
Chaklajat Estate ditto ...	100	.....	.....	100
Bullion and Suspense Accounts.				
Bullion Account	.....	43	43	.....
Suspense Account	.....	387	387	.....
Remittance Account.				
Miscellaneous Cash Remittance ...	1,57,808	1,93,034	35,226	.....
Miscellaneous Accounts.				
Darjeeling Estate Cash Account ...	66,579	92,619	26,040	.....
Examiner of Accounts, E.B.S. Railway..	1,58,000	1,74,522	16,522	.....
Purchase of Government Paper ...	1,00,000	1,00,000	.....	.....
Darjeeling Suspense Account ...	.....	23,500	23,500	.....
Total ...	43,44,751	43,28,212	.....	16,539
Cash Balance ...	9,69,098	11,45,127	1,76,029	.....
Grand Total ...	53,13,849	54,73,339	1,59,490	.....

His Highness' Office, Audit Department,

AMRITA LAL SEN,

LIABILITIES.	Amount due by the State.	ASSETS.	Amount due to the State.
	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
To Government of Bengal	1,39,291 5 6		
„ Reserve Fund	40 3 6	By Cooch Behar Treasury	9,84,067 10 11
„ Dinhata Town Committee	731 6 4	„ Chaklajat Treasury	1,61,059 4 10
„ Darjeeling Fire Insurance Fund	115 3 4	„ Local Shop-keepers and others	59,796 13 1
„ Mathabhanga Town Committee	1,545 11 0	„ Chaklajat Loan Account	49,148 15 2
„ Village Chaukidari Fund	11,790 0 6	„ Cooch Behar State Railway Capital Account	16,97,861 3 5
„ Municipal Fund, Sudder	2,370 9 11	„ Darjeeling Estate Capital Account	7,87,408 15 1
„ Temple Scholarship Fund	28 9 5	„ Cooch Behar State Advances Recoverable	1,27,945 10 8
„ Pound Fund	8,323 9 1	„ Cooch Behar State Permanent Advance	6,670 0 0
„ Communication Improvement Fund	169 10 6	„ Chaklajat Estate Advances Recoverable	31,359 2 8
„ Fund for His Highness' Children	299 13 3	„ Chaklajat Estate Permanent Advance	866 5 4
„ Vidyasagar Memorial Fund	18 3 6	„ Suspense Account	192 0 4
„ Haldibari Town Committee	838 8 5	„ Darjeeling Cash Account	10,903 1 3
„ Contribution works, P. W. D.	4,904 15 1	„ Manager, Darjeeling Estates...	17,366 1 2
„ Cooch Behar State Revenue Deposits	67,546 13 10	„ Examiner of Accounts, Eastern Bengal State Railway	18,814 4 0
„ Cooch Behar State Judicial Deposits (Civil)	10,170 9 1	„ Purchase of Government Paper	1,00,000 0 0
„ Cooch Behar State Judicial Deposits (Criminal)	1,098 12 9		
„ Cooch Behar State General Deposits	17,760 9 8		
„ Chaklajat Estate Revenue Deposits	6,979 15 5		
„ Chaklajat Estate General Deposits	4,011 1 7		
„ Bullion Account	1,487 15 10		
„ Miscellaneous Cash remittance	7,887 8 6		
„ Cooch Behar State	37,66,048 3 11		
TOTAL Rs. ..	40,53,459 7 11	TOTAL Rs. ...	40,53,459 7 11

His Highness' Office, Audit Department,
The 26th July 1907.

AMRITA LAL SEN,
Accountant-General, Cooch Behar State.

IV.—Statement shewing the Revenue and Expenditure of the Cooch Behar State for the years 1905-06 and 1906-07.

REVENUE.	Actuals for 1905-06.	Actuals for 1906-07.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I.—Household.—	24,437	26,732	2,295	.....
II.—General Revenue.—				
a. Land Revenue	12,73,472	12,68,210	.....	5,262
b. Stamps	1,66,004	1,70,642	4,638	.....
c. Excise.	1,12,229	1,12,855	626	.....
d. Interest on Loans	1,586	3,181	1,595	.....
e. Sundries	7,176	8,641	1,465	.....
III.—Law and Justice.—				
a. Civil and Sessions Court	534	462	.....	72
b. Registration	10,827	10,511	.....	316
IV.—Miscellaneous.				
a. Criminal Justice	7,571	7,240	.....	331
b. Jail	9,144	13,499	4,355	.....
c. Education, Science and Arts ...	10,730	10,691	.....	39
d. Public Works...	10,045	11,514	1,469	.....
e. Sundries.	3,309	5,154	1,845	.....
V.—Debutter.	1,11,412	1,09,515	.....	1,897
VI.—His Highness' Estates.—				
a. Darjeeling Estate	48,924	66,579	17,655	.....
b. Chaklajat Estates	4,37,342	4,47,603	10,256	.....
c. Panga Estate	31,191	31,648	457	.....
VII.—Cooch Behar State Railway ...	1,49,746	1,74,522	24,776	.....
Total ...	24,15,679	24,79,204	63,525	.....

EXPENDITURE.	Actuals for 1905-06.	Actuals for 1906-07.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I.—Household Expenses.—				
a. His Highness' Personal expenses ...	3,76,000	4,59,368	83,368	.....
b. Rajbari garden &c.	5,990	6,233	243	.....
Total of strictly Personal expenses ...	3,81,990	4,65,601	83,611	.....
c. Maintenance of Rajgans and education of Maharajkumars.	1,20,053	1,31,791	11,738	.....
d. Philkhana and stables	42,447	33,942	.....	8,505
e. Band	20,827	38,685	17,858	.....
f. Miscellaneous...	1,53,869	2,84,830	1,30,961	.....
Total Household expenses ...	7,19,186	9,54,849	2,35,663	.....
II.—Administration.—				
1. Control	1,08,873	71,195	.....	37,678
2. General	4,69,028	5,40,201	71,173	.....
3. Revenue	1,75,854	1,92,952	17,098	.....
4. Law and Justice	54,416	57,497	3,081	.....
5. Miscellaneous...	69,513	68,453	.....	1,060
III.—Debutter.	48,827	50,774	1,947	.....
IV.—His Highness' Estates.—				
a. Darjeeling Estate	45,283	44,303	.....	980
b. Chaklajat Estates	2,49,430	2,51,501	2,062	.....
c. Panga Estate	30,072	31,134	1,062	.....
V.—Cooch Behar State Railway	62,012	1,01,623	39,611	.....
VI.—Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000	.....	.....
Total ...	20,82,503	24,14,482	3,31,979	.....
Railway Capital Expenditure	.....	5,000	5,000	.....
Repayment of Railway Loan	86,107	.....	.....	86,107
Ditto of Alliance Bank Loan ...	1,62,260	.....	.....	1,62,260
Total ...	23,30,870	24,19,482	88,612	.....
Surplus ...	84,809	59,722	.....	25,087
Grand total ...	24,15,679	24,79,204	63,525	.....

His Highness' Office, Audit Department,
The 26th July 1907.

AMRITA LAL SEN,
Accountant-General, Cooch Behar State.